

No. R-72. Senate concurrent resolution recognizing the week of April 18–24 2021 as Medical Laboratory Professionals Week in Vermont and the essential role of Vermont’s medical laboratories during the COVID-19 pandemic.

(S.C.R.4)

By Senators Lyons, Cummings, Hardy, Hooker and Terenzini,

By Representatives Lippert of Hinesburg, Black of Essex, Burrows of West Windsor, Cina of Burlington, Cordes of Lincoln, Donahue of Northfield, Goldman of Rockingham, Houghton of Essex, Page of Newport City and Peterson of Clarendon,

Whereas, accurate and fast laboratory testing has been integral to Vermont’s response to the historic and deadly COVID-19 pandemic, and

Whereas, medical laboratory professionals at Vermont’s hospitals and at the Department of Health laboratory have met this challenge, and

Whereas, in Vermont, almost 1.5 million COVID-19 diagnostic tests have been administered to approximately 370,000 persons, over 21,500 cases have been confirmed, and in excess of 240 deaths have been recorded, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the week of April 18–24 2021 as Medical Laboratory Professionals Week in Vermont and the essential role of Vermont’s medical laboratories during the COVID-19 pandemic, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems and to the Vermont Commissioner of Health.