

No. R-223. House concurrent resolution designating April 2022 as Vermont Public Safety Telecommunicators Month.

(H.C.R.150)

Offered by: Representatives Lefebvre of Orange, Anthony of Barre City, Brownell of Pownal, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Coffey of Guilford, Colston of Winooski, Cordes of Lincoln, Dolan of Waitsfield, Gannon of Wilmington, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, Harrison of Chittenden, Higley of Lowell, Houghton of Essex, Masland of Thetford, Morgan, M. of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Norris of Sheldon, Page of Newport City, Partridge of Windham, Patt of Worcester, Scheuermann of Stowe, Sims of Craftsbury, Strong of Albany, Till of Jericho, Whitman of Bennington, Williams of Granby, Wood of Waterbury, and Yantachka of Charlotte

Whereas, public safety telecommunications services are an essential mechanism that enables our citizens to contact law enforcement, fire, and rescue officials when an emergency occurs, and

Whereas, dispatchers employed at public safety telecommunications facilities provide an essential role in ensuring the most effective and timely use of this critical, and, on occasion, life-saving infrastructure, and

Whereas, in 1981, a staff member in a California sheriff's office set aside the second week in April as a specific time to recognize the vital work of public safety telecommunications personnel, and this celebratory event has evolved into National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, and

Whereas, in order to praise fully the exemplary work of public safety telecommunicators in Vermont, designating the entire month of April to acknowledge their work is in order, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates April 2022 as Vermont Public Safety Telecommunicators Month, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Commissioner of Public Safety Michael Schirling.