

**No. R-269. House concurrent resolution honoring the Vermont nonprofit sector and the pivotal leadership and support it receives from Common Good Vermont.**

(H.C.R.222)

Offered by Representatives Rachelson of Burlington, Arsenault of Williston, Berbeco of Winooski, Bishop of Colchester, Bluemle of Burlington, Bos-Lun of Westminster, Brown of Richmond, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Chapin of East Montpelier, Cina of Burlington, Coffin of Cavendish, Cole of Hartford, Cooper of Pownal, Dodge of Essex, Donahue of Northfield, Duke of Burlington, Howard of Rutland City, Kleppner of Burlington, Krasnow of South Burlington, Labor of Morgan, LaMont of Morristown, McGill of Bridport, Noyes of Wolcott, Nugent of South Burlington, Olson of Starksboro, Priestley of Bradford, Scheu of Middlebury, Stevens of Waterbury, Tomlinson of Winooski, and Wood of Waterbury

Offered by Senators Bongartz, Clarkson, Cummings, Hardy, Mattos, Perchlik, and Ram Hinsdale

*Whereas*, nonprofit organizations build and sustain healthy and vibrant communities and make Vermont a better place to live, work, and play, and

*Whereas*, Vermonters enhance the well-being of their communities through contributions of volunteer time and financial resources to nonprofit organizations, and

*Whereas*, day after day, the nonprofit sector expands opportunities for millions of individuals throughout the United States, and

*Whereas*, nonprofits provide beneficial and essential services in support of arts, education, environmental protection, and food access; assist the homeless; and offer housing, legal services, library facilities, mental health care, youth services, and other community and social services, and

*Whereas*, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, nonprofits employ one in five Vermont workers and pay over \$3 billion annually in wages, and

*Whereas*, nonprofits are a major economic driver for the State, generating more than \$10 billion in annual revenue, and

*Whereas*, nonprofits are accountable through both board governance and governmental oversight, and they serve Vermonters on behalf of the government to deliver programs and services communities value and rely on, and

*Whereas*, Common Good Vermont is the association that is dedicated to uniting, strengthening, and advocating for Vermont's nonprofit sector, and

*Whereas*, this critical organization contributes to the success and effectiveness of Vermont nonprofits through its delivery of online resources, education and training programs, and informative meetings, and by providing opportunities for connection and advocacy activities, and

*Whereas*, today, March 25, 2026, under the auspices of Common Good Vermont, nonprofit organizations are in the State House to educate legislators concerning the activities of the nonprofit sector, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly honors the Vermont nonprofit sector and the pivotal leadership and support it receives from Common Good Vermont, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Common Good Vermont.