State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 23

Offered by Representative Cordes of Bristol

House concurrent resolution designating February 13, 2025 as Youth Mentoring Day at the State House

Whereas, now more than ever, youth need supportive and committed mentors in their lives, who see, hear, and champion them, and

Whereas, caring and committed mentors offer support for youth, providing them a consistent friend, helping to ignite a young person's curiosities, solidifying their passions, and leveraging their talents, and

Whereas, mentored youths exhibit improved resiliency and better relationships with peers, family, schools, and community, and

Whereas, 96 percent of mentored youths agree or strongly agree that "my mentor makes me feel like I matter," and 92 percent agree or strongly agree that "having a mentor has made a positive difference in my life," and

Whereas, mentoring relationships provide individualized attention and support, which were primary components of personal rebounding from the pandemic, and

Whereas, Vermont mentoring agencies, including MENTOR Vermont and other public and private organizations throughout the State, are committed to working collaboratively to empower youth, advance the Vermont mentoring field, and broaden the reach of mentoring relationships in our communities, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates February 13, 2025 as Youth Mentoring Day at the State House, *and be it further*

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