

State of Vermont

House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 167

Offered by Representative Bluemle of Burlington

House concurrent resolution recognizing January 2026 as Mentoring Month in Vermont

Whereas, the future of Vermont rests on the hopes and dreams of its young people, and

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

Whereas, a caring and committed mentor offers support for youth, provides a consistent friend who helps ignite a young person's curiosities, solidifies the mentee's passions, and leverages the individual's talents, and

Whereas, mentored youth exhibit improved resiliency and better relationships with peers, family, school, and community, and

Whereas, according to MENTOR Vermont's 2025 Youth Mentoring Survey, over 96 percent of the mentee respondents agreed with the statements, "My mentor makes me feel like I matter," and "Having a mentor has made a positive difference in my life," and

Whereas, mentoring relationships provide individualized attention and support, primary components of pandemic recovery, 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, and

Whereas, since 2002, January has been observed as Mentoring Month, and it serves as a special occasion to celebrate the success of youth mentorship and to educate the general public concerning its individual and societal benefits, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes January 2026 as Mentoring Month in Vermont, *and be it further*

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