## No. R-256. House concurrent resolution designating April 3, 2024 as Prevention Day in Vermont.

(H.C.R.197)

Offered by: Representatives Goldman of Rockingham, Andrews of Westford, Anthony of Barre City, Austin of Colchester, Berbeco of Winooski, Black of Essex, Bos-Lun of Westminster, Branagan of Georgia, Burrows of West Windsor, Buss of Woodstock, Carpenter of Hyde Park, Chase of Chester, Corcoran of Bennington, Cordes of Lincoln, Demar of Enosburgh, Dolan of Essex Junction, Farlice-Rubio of Barnet, Garofano of Essex, Houghton of Essex Junction, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, McGill of Bridport, Noyes of Wolcott, Pajala of Londonderry, Peterson of Clarendon, Pouech of Hinesburg, Sims of Craftsbury, Small of Winooski, Taylor of Colchester, and Wood of Waterbury

Offered by: Senator Perchlik

Whereas, Prevention Day is an annual event created to call attention to the issue of substance misuse prevention in Vermont, and

Whereas, this observance is designed to bring together youth, prevention organizations, and supporters to educate public policy decision-makers and to celebrate the substance misuse prevention community in Vermont, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the General Assembly recognizes the struggles that Vermonters continue to encounter with the misuse of alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, and other substances, as well as the economic, emotional, and psychological toll that this misuse takes on individuals, families, schools, workplaces, and communities, and

Whereas, the network of community organizations, service providers, youth, and individuals dedicated to substance misuse prevention share a common goal of supporting healthy living for all Vermonters, and

Whereas, celebrating Prevention Day is an opportunity for communities across the State to raise their voices in order to create a strong, sustainable, and unified system that promotes substance misuse prevention, healthy living, and wellness in Vermont, now therefore be it

## Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates April 3, 2024 as Prevention Day in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Prevention Works!VT.