No. R-300. House concurrent resolution designating the week of February 3–7 as Vermont School Counseling Week.

(H.C.R.217)

Offered by: Representatives Frank of Underhill, Evans of Essex, Gage of Rutland City, Gallivan of Chittenden, Haas of Rochester, Hooper of Montpelier, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Krebs of South Hero, Lenes of Shelburne, Marek of Newfane, Martin of Springfield, Michelsen of Hardwick, Peltz of Woodbury, Pugh of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sweaney of Windsor, Till of Jericho, and Vowinkel of Hartford

Whereas, school counselors are employed in public and private schools to help students reach their full potential,

Whereas, these education professionals are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests, and talents, as they relate to career awareness and development, and

Whereas, school counselors help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal, and social growth of their children, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the work of school counselors, in coordination with teachers and other educators, helps students see their potential and set realistic goals for academic achievement, and

Whereas, through the identification and use of community resources, school counselors seek to help students become productive members of society, and

<u>Whereas</u>, comprehensive developmental school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve in school, and

Whereas, in recognition of the importance school counselors play in the educational process, the week of February 3–7 is being observed nationwide as National School Counseling Week, and Vermont's school counselors merit an official State commendation, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates the week of February 3–7 as Vermont School Counseling Week, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont School Counselor Association.