

No. R-460. House concurrent resolution recognizing the environmental awareness of the participants in the 1st Annual Youth Rally for the Planet Day at the State House.

(H.C.R.380)

Offered by: Representatives Sullivan of Burlington and Pearson of Burlington

Whereas, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), consisting of leading scientists from across the world, agrees that “Warming of the climate system is unequivocal, and since the 1950s, many of the observed changes are unprecedented over decades to millennia. . . .”, and

Whereas, the overwhelming consensus among published climate scientists is that climate change is a reality, and that human activity, including the burning of fossil fuel, contributes to climate change, and

Whereas, many young people are especially concerned about the future of the planet’s environment, as they are the persons who must live with the consequence of the climate changes that are now occurring, and

Whereas, to provide a forum in which Vermont high school students can express their opinions about the future of our planet’s environment, the Vermont Youth Lobby has organized the 1st Youth Rally for the Planet, which is being held today, April 28, 2016, at the State House, and

Whereas, students from a number of Vermont high schools, including Champlain Valley Union High School, Harwood Union High School, Montpelier High School, Mt. Abraham Union High School, Peoples Academy, South Burlington High School, Vergennes Union High School, and Winooski High School are participating in this forum, where they hope State legislators, the media, and the public will hear and listen to their voices of concern, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the environmental awareness of the participants in the 1st Annual Youth Rally for the Planet 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 the Vermont Youth Lobby.