

No. R-353. House concurrent resolution designating March 19, 2018 as Women in Public Office Day.

(H.C.R.281)

Offered by: Representatives Sullivan of Dorset and Buckholz of Hartford

Whereas, women play a critical role in the vitality and diversity of our communities, and their serving in public office is essential to ensuring equal gender representation in civic life, and

Whereas, although the 20th century was a pivotal century for women entering politics, they remain underrepresented in this male-dominated field, and providing opportunities to encourage women to serve in public office is imperative, and

Whereas, recognizing women in public office will bring awareness of the fundamental necessity of their work and will inspire young women to serve their communities in this way, and

Whereas, March is Women's History Month and celebrates the significant contributions women of all races, ethnicities, and backgrounds have made in our society and affords an excellent opportunity to highlight the importance of women serving in public office, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates March 19, 2018 as Women in Public Office Day, and be it further

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