

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** “Vermont Gives” was established as a day to unite all of the people of Vermont in the celebration and reaffirmation of the spirit of philanthropy, raising both funds and awareness; and
- WHEREAS,** the day highlights how people can work together to share commitments, build stronger communities, and improve the quality of life for all residents; and
- WHEREAS,** nonprofits work in every sector to improve the quality of life in Vermont, including protecting our environment, helping the sick and the dying, providing care for our children and animals, offering support to our families, addressing homelessness, hunger, preventing diseases, and providing basic human needs; and
- WHEREAS,** nonprofits offer opportunities for giving, volunteerism, skill-building and community involvement that enhance life and make our state a better place to live; and
- WHEREAS,** giving and volunteerism historically reflect the highest values of our democratic society in that, regardless of age, station, race or creed, all may participate and reap the rich rewards that come from giving aid to others; and
- WHEREAS,** “Vermont Gives” allows participating nonprofit organizations an opportunity to energize their respective donor bases and to tell their story throughout the broader region; and
- WHEREAS,** this 24-hour giving challenge starts at 6:00 p.m. on June 7 and ends at 6:00 p.m. on June 8, 2017; and
- WHEREAS,** participating nonprofits are certified to have 501(c)3 status in order to receive donations; and
- WHEREAS,** together in celebration of nonprofits and philanthropy, communities will join together for 24 hours to raise as much money as they can to support the nonprofits that enrich our state while reaffirming the belief that anyone can help another person.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim June 7, 2017 as

“VERMONT GIVES” DAY

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 3rd day of May A.D. 2017.

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Philip B. Scott
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brittney L. Wilson", is written over a horizontal line.

Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs