

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Multiple System Atrophy is a rare degenerative and terminal neurological disease, which has a distinctive impact on each patient; and

WHEREAS, symptoms include problems with balance, coordination, gait, bladder and bowel functions, speech, swallowing, and breathing; and

WHEREAS, a multidisciplinary approach to MSA care includes physical, psychological, and financial support for patients and caregivers, including support groups; and

WHEREAS, while there are some medications to treat symptoms and some clinical trials developed to improve treatment, much more research is needed to better manage the disease and ultimately, find a cure; and

WHEREAS, increased education and awareness are needed to assist in accurately diagnosing MSA, to raise funds for research for treatments with fewer side effects, and ultimately, a cure; and

WHEREAS, March has been proclaimed as Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month among the MSA worldwide community.

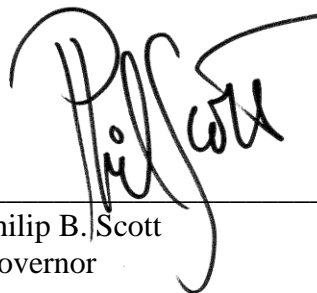
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim March 2018 as

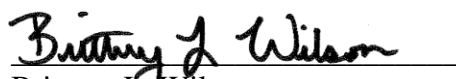
MULTIPLE SYSTEM ATROPHY AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 20th day of March, A.D. 2018.


Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs