State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, creativity has been a core component of Vermont's history and

culture; and

WHEREAS, incorporating that creativity into ideas, involving clay, metal, fiber,

wood, glass and anything else at hand, led to products that sustain

Vermonters and help the state grow; and

WHEREAS, the Ninth Annual American Craft Week invites people around the

world to celebrate American-made goods through celebrations and exhibitions by artists and craftspeople from October 5-14 this year;

and

WHEREAS, Vermont craftspeople and artists participate in the statewide Fall

Open Studio Weekend on October 13-14, as well as other Vermont

events that focus on our creative culture; and

WHEREAS, Vermont was the first state to recognize the importance of

American Craft Week by becoming its first state sponsor eight

years ago; and

WHEREAS, Vermont State Craft Centers and other galleries throughout the state

encourage recognition of the value of locally made goods as part of

our creative economy.

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

CRAFT MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 28th day of September, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Jaye Pershing Johnson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs