

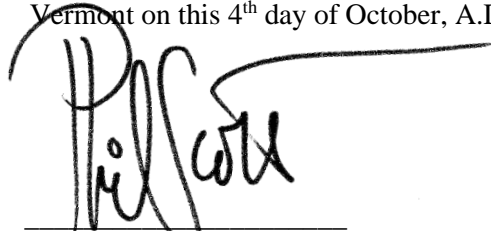
**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** energy efficiency is the cheapest, quickest, and cleanest way to meet Vermont's energy needs, avoid dangerous pollution, and reduce utility bills for residents and businesses in our community; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont's investments in energy efficiency programs have resulted in statewide electric load being 16% lower than what it would have otherwise been; and
- WHEREAS,** implementing energy efficiency and other clean energy policies and programs can help boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move Vermont toward a sustainable future; and
- WHEREAS,** smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity needed to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air, and warm our climate; and
- WHEREAS,** energy efficiency makes our homes and workspaces healthier, safer, and more comfortable; and
- WHEREAS,** improved energy codes for homes and commercial buildings also can significantly reduce utility costs and support the clean energy economy, and Vermont supports increasing the minimum levels of efficiency for new buildings through adoption of a stricter code or the model 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC); and
- WHEREAS,** a nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and partners has designated the first Wednesday in October as national annual Energy Efficiency Day; and
- WHEREAS,** together we can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in our daily lives.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim October 5, 2022 as


**ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D. 2022.

  
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Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
Brittney J. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs