

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** Jewish American Month is an opportunity to celebrate Jewish Americans and encourage all to learn more about Jewish heritage in the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** Jewish American Heritage Month originated in 1980 when Congress passed a resolution which authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation designating April 21-28, 1980 as Jewish Heritage Week, and since 2007, the White House has issued a proclamation for Jewish American Heritage Month; and

**WHEREAS,** the American Jewish community has grown to over six million, representing approximately 2% of the American population today; and

**WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans past and present serve in government and the military, win Nobel prizes, head universities and corporations, advance medicine, create enduring works of visual and performance art, write great American novels, and so much more; and

**WHEREAS,** Vermont remains committed to supporting its Jewish American population and to condemning all forms of religious discrimination; and

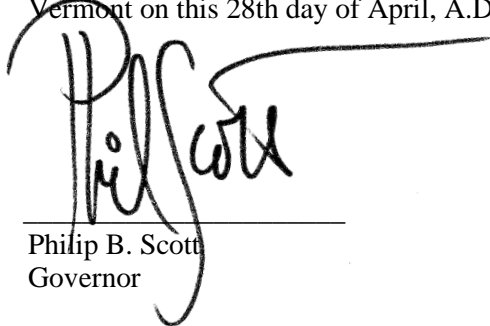
**WHEREAS,** the month of May is a time for Vermonters to learn more about the heritage and accomplishments of Jewish Americans through educational programming, activities, and ceremonies.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 2023 as

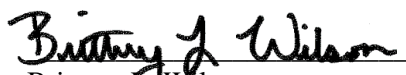
**JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 28th day of April, A.D. 2023.

  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
Brittney J. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs