State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS,	in August 1897, Mrs. Bradley Barlow Smalley was granted a charter for Vermont to become an Associate member of the National Society of Colonial Dames of America; and
WHEREAS,	on October 25, 1898, the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America accepted their charter and Vermont became an official Associate State member; and
WHEREAS,	while the size of the Vermont membership has remained small, their contribution to the tenants of the National Society have stayed true to the cause; and
WHEREAS,	each member can trace their lineage to someone who led to the formation of and provided key support to the development of our country; and
WHEREAS,	its members are dedicated to involving more Vermonters in learning about our history, its people, and therefore be educated, contributing members of our civil society; and
WHEREAS,	the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in Vermont will celebrate 125 years of supporting historic preservation, education, and patriotic service.
NOW, THEREFORE,	I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim June 15, 2023 as
	125 TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VERMONT CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF COLONIAL DAMES in Vermont.



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Brittney **O**Wilson Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of vermont on this 15th day of June, A.D. 2023.

Philip B. Scott Governor