

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, approximately one in five individuals are living with a mental health condition in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Vermont, like the rest of the nation, is addressing mental illness by combining effective prevention, treatment and recovery support; and

WHEREAS, the health, well-being, and quality of life of all Vermonters impacted by these chronic, yet treatable health conditions, and many Vermonters know someone in their network of family or friends who is affected; and

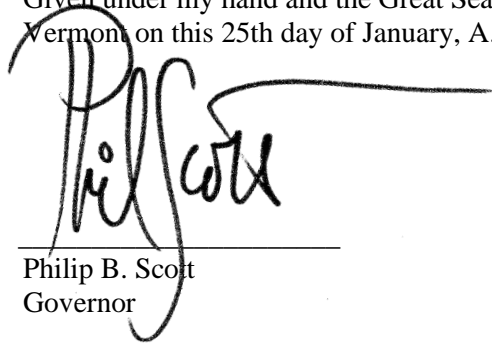
WHEREAS, Vermont’s mental health organizations continue to educate the public and lawmakers about the effects of mental illness and the value of treatment and long-term recovery; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health Advocacy Day is designed to remind all Vermonters that mental health conditions can respond to proper and timely intervention, treatment, and recovery support services, including the support from peers who have had successful recovery experiences.


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 29th day of January, 2024, as

MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCACY DAY
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 25th day of January, A.D. 2024.


Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney D. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs