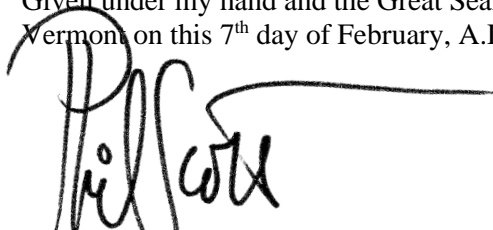


**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**


- WHEREAS,** the year 2024 marks the 107<sup>th</sup> year of the Girl Scout Cookie Program, the largest girl-led entrepreneurship program for girls in the world, preparing the next generation of female leaders; and
- WHEREAS,** Girl Scouts is making the largest financial investment in girls annually in the United States, encouraging Girl Scout to follow their own convictions, take the lead in their own stories, and explore all the extraordinary things they're capable of; and
- WHEREAS,** over 50 million households purchase cookies every Girl Scout Cookie season, with about 200 million boxes of cookies resulting in nearly \$800 million in proceeds that stay in the local area to power year-round experiences for girls; and
- WHEREAS,** the Girl Scout Leadership Experience is a one-of-a-kind leadership development program for girls that creates a safe space where members can try new things, develop a range of skills, take on leadership roles, and just be themselves; and
- WHEREAS,** the Girl Scout Cookie Program teaches five essential skills – goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics; and
- WHEREAS,** more than half of business leaders who are Girl Scout alums credit the Girl Scout Cookie Program with helping them develop the skills they use today, including money management, goal setting, and public speaking; and
- WHEREAS,** today, more than 50 million women in America enjoyed Girl Scouts during their childhood, and about 1.7 million girl and adult member worldwide; and
- WHEREAS,** during the last century of selling these iconic cookies, Girl Scouts have demonstrated their exemplary leadership and philanthropic spirit by using their earnings to do remarkable work that reflects the Girls Scouts' mission to make the world a better place; and
- WHEREAS,** through the dedication, time, and talent of thousands of trained volunteers of different backgrounds, abilities, and areas of expertise, Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains serves thousands of girls in grades K-12 in New Hampshire and Vermont.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim February 16 – 18, 2024, as

**GIRL SCOUT COOKIE WEEKEND**  
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D. 2024.

  
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Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
Brittney J. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs