State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, during the month of March "Trisomy Awareness Month" is observed to encourage

people to increase their awareness of trisomy, a genetic disorder that deeply affects

families; and

WHEREAS, trisomy is the presence within a person's cells of a single extra chromosome, yielding

a total of three chromosomes instead of a pair and as a type of aneuploidy, trisomy

can occur with any of the 23 pairs of chromosomes individuals have; and

WHEREAS, local support groups, medical professionals, and online communities offer education,

encouragement, and counseling for those managing trisomy pregnancies or raising

trisomy-affected children; and

WHEREAS, now is the time for all Vermonters to spread awareness of all forms of trisomy,

support families currently experiencing trisomy, and participate in helping people

with developmental disabilities achieve their full potential.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim March 2024 as

TRISOMY AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermon, on this 29th day of February, A.D. 2024.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs