

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** thousands of children are being raised by grandparents and other relatives because their parents are unable to do so; and

**WHEREAS,** the grandparents and relatives unselfishly provide for and nurture children on a day-to-day basis, often from early childhood to adulthood; and

**WHEREAS,** grandparents, aunts, uncles and other relatives put their life plans on hold to raise children, often in unplanned circumstances;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 19-25, 2016 as

**KINSHIP CARE WEEK**

in Vermont and honor those who serve the children of Vermont in this capacity.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont this 25th day of August, A.D. 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by a long horizontal line.

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Peter Shumlin  
Governor