

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, connecting with others and working together through volunteer service can bridge the differences that separate people and help address and solve serious social and economic problems; and

**WHEREAS**, the American people and the citizens of Vermont have a tradition of philanthropy and volunteerism; and

**WHEREAS**, Vermont is number four in the nation of states that produce the most AmeriCorps members. Additional information on SerVermont and Vermont's ranking may be found at <http://vtcnsc.vermont.gov/> and <http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/amicorps/2016-ameristates>; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals, non-profits, schools, businesses, religious organizations and others care enough about their communities to volunteer and make a difference everyday as well as on Make A Difference Day; and

**WHEREAS**, 2016 marks the 25th annual Make A Difference Day held in collaboration with Points of Light and other partners; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 22, 2016 as

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY**

in Vermont, and urge all citizens to participate in volunteer projects as we work together to meet the needs of their neighbors.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont  
this 5th day of October, A.D. 2016.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Peter Shumlin', written over a horizontal line.

Peter Shumlin  
Governor