

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** the United Nations designated 2019 as the International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements and in doing so recognized the development of the Periodic Table as one of the most significant achievements in science and a uniting scientific concept, with broad applications and implications in astronomy, chemistry, physics, biology and other natural sciences; and
- WHEREAS,** 2019 marks the 150th anniversary of the discovery of the Periodic Table by Dmitry Mendeleev in 1869; and
- WHEREAS,** knowing the Periodic Table of Elements is a unique tool enabling scientists to predict the appearance and properties of matter on Earth and in the Universe; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont acknowledging the International Year of the Periodic Table will give an opportunity to show how these chemical elements are central to improving the human condition and addressing the world's great challenges related to water, food, health, security, energy and more; and
- WHEREAS,** chemistry is an important subject for Vermonters to study as it opens the door to numerous important career paths and helps people better understand the world around them.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim October 23, 2019 as

PERIODIC TABLE DAY

in Vermont and recognize the United Nations' designation of 2019 as the International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 23rd day of October, A.D. 2019.

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Philip B. Scott
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brittney L. Wilson", written over a horizontal line.

Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs