

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** there are at least 48,800 Vermont residents diagnosed and living with kidney disease; and

**WHEREAS,** more than 350 Vermont residents of all ages suffer from renal failure and require dialysis; and

**WHEREAS,** it is critical that attention be brought to this often overlooked, but increasingly common disease, whose major risk factors are diabetes, high blood pressure, a family history of kidney failure and being over 60 years of age; and

**WHEREAS,** if untreated, kidney disease can lead to kidney failure; and

**WHEREAS,** the month of March is National Kidney Month and March 9, 2017 is World Kidney Day; and

**WHEREAS,** the National Kidney Foundation – the leading organization in the United States dedicated to the awareness, prevention and treatment of kidney disease – calls on all Americans to care for their kidneys and their overall health, and get tested if they are at risk.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 2017 as

**KIDNEY MONTH**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 15th day of March, A.D. 2017.

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Philip B. Scott  
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brittney L. Wilson', is written over a horizontal line.  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs