## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, as Vermont citizens increase their personal finance knowledge and

skills, the financial well-being of the individual and the state will

improve; and

**WHEREAS,** as Vermont citizens improve their financial literacy they will be

better equipped to effectively manage their finances in an

increasingly complex financial world; and

**WHEREAS,** national research continues to highlight points of concern for how

Americans manage personal debt, retirement savings, and daily

budgetary challenges; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important for both adults and youth to demonstrate proficiency

in personal financial management; and

WHEREAS, the activities and efforts of organizations such as the Vermont

Jump\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy and its volunteers, who come from business, government, and education

sectors, should be recognized and supported; and

**WHEREAS,** national observances such as the April 28, 2017, which is the 20th

National Teach Children to Save Day, promote the importance of

teaching our youth about saving for the future; and

**WHEREAS,** the designation of Financial Literacy Month will help raise public

awareness about the importance of financial education in Vermont.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim April 2017 as

## FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH

in Vermont, and urge all Vermonters to encourage and support the efforts of our youth and the organizations serving them to become financially educated.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 6th day of April, A.D. 2017.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney I. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs