## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Barre Granite industry is one of New England's oldest

industries, started by Vermont's earliest entrepreneurs; and

**WHEREAS,** the Barre granite industry is the foundation of Central Vermont's

economy, importing millions of dollars in sales annually to the

state; and

WHEREAS, the Barre granite industry is one of the state's major employers,

providing high paying jobs for Vermonters who are directly engaged in the manufacturing of granite, as well as jobs for many others who are employed by businesses that either support or are

dependent on the industry; and

**WHEREAS**, the Barre granite industry is responsible for attracting a diverse

mixture of cultures over the years, giving the Central Vermont

citizenry its unique character; and

WHEREAS, the Barre granite industry is recognized internationally as the

premier source of the world's finest granite, granite art, and

artisans.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim June 10, 2017 as

## BARRE GRANITE APPRECIATION DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 9th day of June, A.D. 2017.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney IOWilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs