

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the voices of people, their organizations and their institutions build understanding, shared values, civic engagement and a healthy environment within a community; and

WHEREAS, Vermont's 25 Community Media Centers are organizations that provide a means for diverse populations to tell their stories, hear others' stories, and create new stories together; and

WHEREAS, Community Media Centers provide information to the community and provide people with the skills necessary for the creation, sharing, and consumption of knowledge and ideas through media; and

WHEREAS, Community Media Centers offer a platform for free speech during the celebration of Free Speech Week (October 16-22, 2017); and

WHEREAS, Community Media Centers are an important resource for participating in local democratic policy, and for community organizations, schools and local governments to make connections with their constituents; and

WHEREAS, communities will benefit from increased general awareness of, viewing audiences for, and creators of media content created by and for the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2017

COMMUNITY MEDIA DAY

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 19th day of October, 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