## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Thanksgiving Day designates a time for friends and family to

gather, give thanks for the blessings in their lives, and show love

and respect to one another; and

**WHEREAS,** as one of our nation's oldest traditions, Thanksgiving Day embraces

a sense of civility and good will that is shared among all our people;

and

**WHEREAS,** this time of year reminds us all to appreciate those who protect and

serve our nation, for they are the true reason why we are able to

celebrate our freedoms; and

**WHEREAS,** reuniting with our loved ones, and showing appreciation for friends

and strangers alike strengthens the bonds in our communities, and emphasizes the importance of our oneness and resiliency as a state

and a nation; and

**WHEREAS,** although Thanksgiving comes once a year, it is encouraged we treat

all our people with the kind of care and consideration we practice

during this holiday.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim November 23,

2017 as a

## **DAY OF THANKSGIVING**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 21st day of November, A.D. 2017.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney L. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs