## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer deaths in the

United States among men and women combined but there is

currently no cure; and

**WHEREAS,** colorectal cancer affects men and women equally; and

**WHEREAS**, the national goal established by the National Colorectal Cancer

Roundtable is 80 percent of Americans ages 50 and older be

screened by the year 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** if the majority of people in the United States age 50 or older were

screened regularly for colorectal cancer, the death rate from this

disease could decrease substantially; and

**WHEREAS,** it is critical people of all ages know the signs and symptoms of the

disease: and

WHEREAS, observing Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month provides the

opportunity to offer education on the importance of early detection

and screening.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim March 2018 as

## COLOTRECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermont on this 1st day of March, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney LWilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs