

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** Parkinson's Disease is a chronic, progressive disorder of the nervous system which affects movement for which there is currently no cure; and

**WHEREAS,** one million people in the United States are currently living with Parkinson's disease with an additional 50,000-60,000 new cases diagnosed each year, making Parkinson's Disease the 14<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the U.S. according to the Centers for Disease Control; and

**WHEREAS,** every day the American Parkinson Disease Association provides the support, education, and research will help everyone impacted by Parkinson's disease live life to the fullest, through research, patient and family services, education and more; and

**WHEREAS,** increased efforts and awareness are desperately needed to help expedite research efforts for better treatments, medications and ultimately a cure, as well as enhance programs and services to help those impacted by Parkinson's disease; and

**WHEREAS,** Vermont recognizes the efforts of the Vermont Chapter of the American Parkinson's Disease Association to raise funds and promote awareness to fight Parkinson's disease.

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

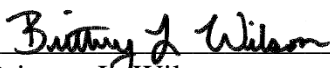
**PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 29th day of March, A.D. 2018



Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs