State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS. the good health and general well-being of the people of Vermont is

strengthened by our awareness and understanding of a genetic disorder known as 4p- syndrome, with Wolf-Hirschhorn as the

main syndrome; and

WHEREAS, children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with low birth weight

and develop slowly, both cognitively and physically, compared to their same-age peers, and experience medical complications while

still maintaining pleasant and lovable personalities; and

WHEREAS, dedicated professionals are presently involved in valuable research

to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools, and to offer hope to

persons with 4p- syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the 4p- Support Group estimates approximately 1,000 individuals

in the United States have 4p- syndrome, though it is believed many

remain undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Vermont are encouraged to spread awareness of the

syndrome, and join in recognizing and applauding the valuable role families and advocates of those who have 4p- syndrome play in helping the medical community advance the knowledge and

awareness of this syndrome; and

WHEREAS, Vermont is pleased to join people throughout our nation in

promoting a special celebration which seeks to raise awareness of

4p- syndrome.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2018 as

4p-/WOLF HIRSCHHORN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

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

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Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs