## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, 18 percent of Vermont's population is currently age 65 or older, a

percentage expected to increase to 26.9 percent by 2030; and

**WHEREAS**, older Vermonters enrich and strengthen our communities with their

wisdom, knowledge, skills and experience; and

**WHEREAS,** we recognize the growing percentage of older Vermonters in our

workforce and the important asset they represent to our economy;

and

**WHEREAS**, we acknowledge the importance of taking part in experiences and

activities that promote physical, mental, and emotional health and

well-being, no matter your age; and

WHEREAS, Vermont is committed to engaging and supporting older

Vermonters, their families, and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, Vermont, Area Agencies on Aging, the business community,

service providers and senior centers across the state enrich the lives of individuals of every age by promoting home- and communitybased services which support independent living, involving older Vermonters in community planning, events, and other activities, and providing opportunities for older adults to work, volunteer,

learn, lead, and mentor.

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

## **OLDER AMERICANS MONTH**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 25th day of May, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs