

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Necrotizing Fasciitis is an uncommon clinical disease of the layers of tissue under the skin more commonly referred to as the "flesh eating bug or virus"; and

WHEREAS, Necrotizing Fasciitis can occur in any age group, although sometimes there are precipitating factors, and it is most commonly associated with surgical procedures, but may also occur following minor injuries to the skin, and may not be immediately apparent to otherwise healthy individuals; and

WHEREAS, though it can affect anywhere on the body, the most common sites for it to involve are the abdomen, arms, legs, extremities, and face particularly around the eyes; and

WHEREAS, while progress has been made in understanding the symptoms and better diagnosing the disease, there is still much to learn about Necrotizing Fasciitis, but with increased research, the goal of discovering the cause, improving treatment and finding a cure are attainable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim May 31, 2018 as

NECROTIZING FASCIITIS AWARENESS DAY

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 30th day of April, A.D. 2018

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Philip B. Scott
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brittney L. Wilson', is written over a horizontal line.
Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs