## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS. Vermont drivers are responsible for making safe and considerate

choices while driving, and driving with an unsecured load presents

dangers to the travelling public; and

WHEREAS, unsecured cargo or other debris falling from a moving vehicle can

pose a serious hazard to other motorists and can lead to property

damage, injuries or fatalities; and

WHEREAS, a 20-pound object at 55 mph has the force of 1,000 pounds upon

impact; and

WHEREAS, the result of an unsecured load incident puts law enforcement and

road workers in the dangerous position of having to remove debris

from the right of way while vehicles travel by; and

Vermont has statute regarding unsecured loads that pertain to non-WHEREAS,

commercial and commercial vehicles, and assesses fines or

penalties for violating unsecured loads; and

the smart and simple routine act of securely affixing every load WHEREAS,

makes Vermont's drivers and passengers safer on our highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2018 as

## SECURE YOUR LOAD DAY

in Vermont.

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

Vermont on this 5th day of June, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Jaye Pershing Johnson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs