## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS,

the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15 and this disease is detected in more than 15,000 of our country's young people every year; and

WHEREAS,

one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer, and many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS,

the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and

WHEREAS,

the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Vermont Children's Hospital at Fletcher Allen in Burlington, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and

WHEREAS,

the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. also sponsor Courageous Kid Recognition Awards, pet assisted therapy, KCC Supercar Experience and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 2018 as

## CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.

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

Philip B. Scott
Governor

Jaye Pershing Johnson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs