

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** sharing ideas and information helps build common understanding and common values within a community; and
- WHEREAS,** access to information in today's media environment is critical for the healthy functioning of our community; and
- WHEREAS,** community media organizations provide a means for diverse communities to tell their stories, hear each other's stories, and create new stories together; and
- WHEREAS,** community media organizations provide information to the community that is not covered by mainstream commercial media; and
- WHEREAS,** community media organizations provide people with the skills necessary for the creation, sharing, and consumption of knowledge and ideas through media; and
- WHEREAS,** community media is an important resource for participating in local democratic policy and processes, and connects community organizations, schools, and local governments to their constituents; and
- WHEREAS,** in many communities, people are not aware of the diverse and valuable programming on public, education, and government access channels or community radio channels; and
- WHEREAS,** Community Media Day is being celebrated nationally on October 20th and Free Speech Week on October 22-28, 2018.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2018 as

COMMUNITY MEDIA DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 17th day of October, A.D. 2018



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Philip B. Scott
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jaye Pershing Johnson', written over a horizontal line.

Jaye Pershing Johnson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs