State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, a century ago 4.7 million American families sent their sons and

daughters off to World War I; and

WHEREAS, at least 9,300 Vermonters served in the Army during the war,

alongside those in the Navy; and

WHEREAS, the resources of our entire nation, including Vermont, were brought

to bear on the war effort; and

WHEREAS, 116,516 Americans gave their lives in the war, and more than

200,000 were wounded; and

WHEREAS, the tolling of bells is a traditional expression of honor and

remembrance; and

WHEREAS, in November 2018 the world will commemorate the 100th

anniversary of the Armistice that ended the fighting in World War I at 11:00 a.m., November 11, 1918 – the eleventh hour of the

eleventh day of the eleventh month; and

WHEREAS, all Vermonters are encouraged to toll their bells in remembrance of

those who served in World War I at 11:00 a.m. on November 11,

2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim November 11,

2018 as

WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 11th day of November, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Jaye Pershing Johnson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs