

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the United Nations was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of the day on which the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948 is observed each year on December 10; and

WHEREAS, Eleanor Roosevelt chaired the United Nations Human Rights Commission which was charged with drafting the Declaration as well as championed United Nations ideals across the United States as Chair of the United Nations Association of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations promotes peace and security, development, democracy, economic prosperity, global health, and human rights around the world, and is vital now more than ever; and

WHEREAS, for centuries, Vermont has been a reservoir of goodwill, and has had a history of being first to stand up for equality, inclusiveness, and tolerance; and

WHEREAS, Vermont has fought for freedom and unity, equity and openness, and remains a beacon of hope and opportunity, community and shared humanity, as Vermont will forever welcome people of all backgrounds to the Green Mountain State; and

WHEREAS, at a time when our nation feels so divided, it is important to reflect on our shared values, and focus on restoring a sense of unity; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Association of Vermont is committed to educating and mobilizing our local communities to build a stronger network of global citizens and leaders to create a more prosperous, safe, just and sustainable world for all; and

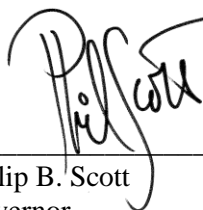
WHEREAS, Vermonters on this day should strive to actualize a greater awareness of the importance of human rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2018 as

HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

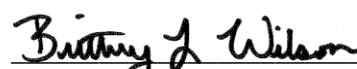
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 10th day of December, A.D. 2018



Philip B. Scott
Governor





Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs