State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, there are more than 113,500 Americans, with more than 5,000 in

New England who are currently waiting for a life-saving organ

transplant; and

WHEREAS, there are over one million life-enhancing tissue transplants each year

made possible by the generous donation of corneas, bone, skin or

other tissue; and

WHEREAS, we can all help save a life and benefit up to 50 recipients by signing

up to become an organ and tissue donor by enrolling in the Vermont Donor Registry when we apply for - or renew - our drivers licenses

or by registering with Donate Life Vermont; and

WHEREAS, 97 percent of all people in Vermont who register to become a donor

do so at the Department of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Vermont surpassed the national goal of signing up 50 percent of our

driving population to become donors, and remains dedicated to making it fast and easy to sign up to save a life through the Vermont

Department of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, this observance pays tribute to organ and tissue donors and their

families whose decision to Donate Life enables others to receive

life-saving organs and tissues for transplant.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 2019 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 18th day of April, A.D. 2019.

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Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney L. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs