State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, one of the primary goals for Vermont is to provide Vermonters with

an effective criminal justice system which focuses on quality of life

and safety for Vermonters; and

WHEREAS, Vermont's dedicated correctional employees are essential to our

justice system; and

much is expected from the men and women who supervise offenders WHEREAS,

> in correctional facilities and in the community every day, and without whose daily hard work and sacrifices the justice system

could not operate; and

WHEREAS, correctional employees are skilled professionals who must act as

counselors, communicators, educators and experts at crisis interventions, and must protect our safety while maintaining their professional demeanor, often in a challenging environment; and

WHEREAS, correctional employees must possess the intuitive sense to resolve

> conflict and support restorative activities while housing offenders in a humane environment or supervising offenders in the community,

often to the risk of their own well-being; and

Vermont is pleased to celebrate Correctional Employees Week and WHEREAS,

is urging all Vermonters to pay special tribute to these women and

men who serve so faithfully.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 30 – June 6 as

CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 17th day of May, A.D. 2019.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs