

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Vermont is abundantly blessed with wetlands, streams, rivers, and lakes, including Lake Champlain, a world-renowned, international freshwater resource of great beauty and ecological significance; and

WHEREAS, Vermont's clean surface waters provide residents and visitors alike with healthful drinking water and recreation in the form of swimming, boating, fishing, and sight-seeing; and

WHEREAS, clean water is critical for the health of wildlife and the ecological systems of the Green Mountain State; and

WHEREAS, the stormwater, wastewater, and drinking water systems and facilities in communities throughout Vermont are the first, most critical barriers against water pollution and the most essential protectors of the public health; and

WHEREAS, the staff who operate stormwater, wastewater, and drinking water systems, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year are public servants dedicated to protecting public health and the natural environment, and thus deserve the acknowledgement and appreciation of all Vermonters; and

WHEREAS, stormwater, wastewater, and drinking water treatment facilities throughout the state will host open houses and offer tours on May 30, 2019, so that Vermonters can learn about this vital, but hidden, infrastructure.

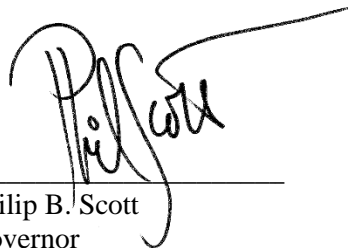
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 30, 2019 as


WATER QUALITY DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 24th day of April, A.D. 2019.




Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs