

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** September 15-21 has been declared National Child Passenger Safety Week; and

**WHEREAS,** motor vehicle crashes are one of the leading causes of injury-related death for Vermonters under the age of 18; and

**WHEREAS,** the best thing families can do to safeguard the health and well-being of our children is to establish safety habits that set a pattern for safety for the rest of their lives; and

**WHEREAS,** parents and guardians must make sure children age 13 and under always ride in the back seat, buckled up or properly installed in child safety seats, and a rear facing child seat should never be placed in the front seat of a motor vehicle equipped with a passenger air bag; and

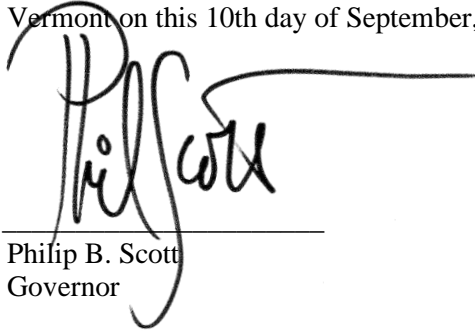
**WHEREAS,** child passenger protection laws require proper restraints for younger children and safety belt use by older children.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim September 15-21, 2019 as

**CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK**

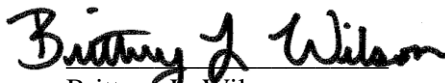
in Vermont and urge everyone to help reduce injuries and the tragic loss of life on our roads by buckling up every child in an approved restraint, in the vehicle's back seat and help spread these important child safety messages throughout our communities.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 10th day of September, A.D. 2019.



Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs