

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Norwich University was founded August 6, 1819 by Captain Alden Partridge (1785–1854), who did more than any other individual to promote military education in civilian institutions in the United States prior to the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, Partridge originated a novel system of education which combined civilian and military studies in order to produce enlightened and useful citizen-soldiers and saw the ideal education as a liberal one which prepares youth for the responsibilities of peace and war; and

WHEREAS, recent events illustrate how the growth and evolution of Norwich University have remained consistent with the educational principles of Partridge, including the merger with Vermont College in 1972, which expanded the institution's base to include women, as well as offer a non-military lifestyle, and the creating of the nation's first Peace Corp Preparatory Program in 1987, which exemplified the institution's commitment to experiential learning and social service; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, Norwich will embark on its third century of educating and preparing students to be global leaders in business, government and the military; and

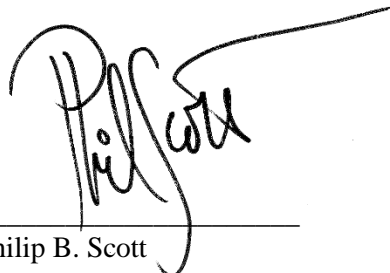
WHEREAS, Norwich University still closely adheres to the purposes and precepts laid out by its founder, as the system of education articulated by Partridge was so broad, sensible, flexible, and visionary that it continues to have extraordinary currency today.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim February 20, 2019 as


NORWICH UNIVERSITY DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 20th day of February, A.D. 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip B. Scott".

Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs