

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Vermont is deeply enriched by the diversity of its residents and the Arab American community plays an important role shaping, and advancing the state; and

WHEREAS, for over a century, Arab Americans have made valuable contributions to all areas of life in Vermont, including government, business, arts and sciences, medicine, law enforcement, the military and more; and

WHEREAS, Arab Vermonters have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, displayed resilient family values and strong work ethic, practiced diversity in faith and creed and set examples as model citizens that have strengthened Vermont; and

WHEREAS, Arab American Heritage Month is an opportunity to celebrate the many Arab Americans whose abilities and contributions strengthen Vermont's economy, enrich Vermont's diverse culture, and invigorate Vermont's communities; and

WHEREAS, Vermont is proud to celebrate the annual Arab American Heritage Month, and commemorate the contributions Arab Americans have made to Vermont.

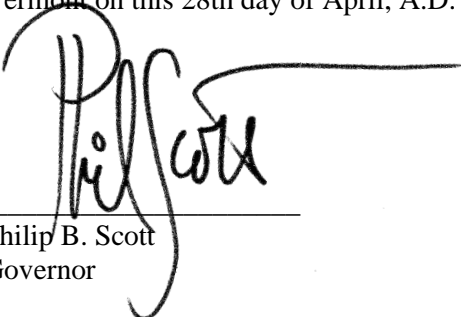
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 2020 as

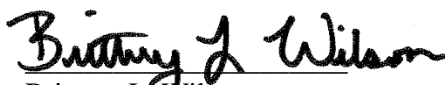
ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 28th day of April, A.D. 2020.




Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs