

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** Vermonters have long and proud traditions of democratic participation, innovation, entrepreneurship, environmental stewardship and civic virtue; and

**WHEREAS,** records created by and for our people document these traditions, including our rights and obligations, our families and towns, our triumphs and challenges and our beliefs and aspirations; and

**WHEREAS,** our archival records are resources for genealogists, historians, lawyers, writers, legislators, reporters, government officials and for all those interested in Vermont, its history and continuing issues of Vermont government and society; and

**WHEREAS,** these important records are preserved and made accessible through our municipal and state archives; our universities and colleges; our state and local historical societies and museums; and in our libraries and other public institutions; and

**WHEREAS,** hundreds of Vermonters dedicate themselves to preserving archival records so current and future generations of Vermonters can contextualize and understand the foundation and evolution of Vermont society and laws.

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

**VERMONT ARCHIVES MONTH**

in Vermont in recognition of the importance of archives and their preservation, and in appreciation of the many Vermonters who work to preserve and make available these records for the benefit of all.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 14th day of October, A.D. 2020.

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Philip B. Scott  
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brittney L. Wilson", is written over a horizontal line.

Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs