## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1983, the Vermont Senior Games Association was established to

promote fun, fitness, and fellowship among the growing population

of Vermonters who are 50 years of age and older; and

WHEREAS, the Vermont Senior Games Association's programs range from

informal physical fitness activities and sports training clinics to athletic competitions in nationally sanctioned events, including basketball, tennis, cycling, golf, racquet sports, swimming, table

tennis, track and field, triathlon and more; and

WHEREAS, the Vermont Senior Games Association organizes the demanding

> annual Vermont Senior Games Championships that enable athletes 50 years of age and older to qualify for the elite biennial National

Senior Games: and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the National Senior Games took place in Albuquerque,

> New Mexico, where 69 Vermont senior athletes qualified to compete, and 34 Vermont senior athletes were podium finishers collectively winning 15 Gold, 8 Silver and 12 Bronze medals; and

WHEREAS, the Vermont Senior Games are made possible through the support

> of, and in partnership with, the Vermont Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, the Vermont Recreation and Parks Association, Vermont Systems, Inc., as well as many other athletic organizations, sports facilities, and community businesses; and

sports play and incredibly important role in society, helping bring WHEREAS,

people of all backgrounds and abilities together.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim February 26, 2020 as

## VERMONT SENIOR GAMES ASSOCIATION DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermont on this 26th day of February, A.D. 2020.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs