

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** the year 2020 marks the 103rd year of the Girl Scout Cookie Program, the largest entrepreneurship program for girls in the world, preparing the next generation of female leaders; and
- WHEREAS,** over one million Girl Scouts participate in the cookie program each year, with all net proceeds from Girl Scout Cookie sales staying in the local area to power year-round experiences for girls; and
- WHEREAS,** the Girl Scout Leadership Experience is a one-of-a-kind leadership development program for girls that creates a space where girls can try new things, develop a range of skills, take on leadership roles, and be themselves; and
- WHEREAS,** the Girl Scout Cookie Program teaches five essential skills - goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics; and
- WHEREAS,** in keeping with the fast pace of the modern world and the Girl Scout Mission to provide girls with learning opportunities for the future, Girl Scouts launched Digital Cookie, adding a digital layer to the Girl Scout Cookie Program that teaches vital 21st century business skills, including e-marketing, digital money management, online dashboard usage, and e-commerce; and
- WHEREAS,** more than half of business leaders who are Girl Scout alums credit the Girl Scout Cookie Program with helping them develop the skills they use today, including money management, goal setting and public speaking; and
- WHEREAS,** during the last century of selling these iconic cookies, Girl Scouts have demonstrated their exemplary leadership and philanthropic spirit by using their earnings to do remarkable work that reflects the Girls Scouts' mission to make the world a better place; and
- WHEREAS,** today, more than 50 million women are Girl Scout alumnae, and 2.6 million girls and adult volunteers are active members; and
- WHEREAS,** Girl Scouts consistently make positive changes in their communities, thanks in part to cookie sales, and doing what they can to make the world a better place; and
- WHEREAS,** through the dedication, time, and talent of thousands of trained volunteers of different backgrounds, abilities, and areas of expertise, Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains serves thousands of girls in grades K-12 in Vermont and New Hampshire.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim February 28-March 1, 2020 as

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE WEEKEND

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 28th day of February, 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. The signature is cursive.

Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs