

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** Chronic Kidney Disease is the progressive, gradual loss of kidney function, which results in a decrease in the ability of the kidneys to remove waste from the body; and

**WHEREAS,** it is estimated that 37 million adults in the US have Chronic Kidney Disease, and of those, approximately 90% remain undiagnosed; and

**WHEREAS,** without diagnosis and treatment to slow the progression of the disease, Chronic Kidney Disease can progress to end-stage renal failure which is fatal without dialysis or kidney transplant; and

**WHEREAS,** kidney disease is the ninth leading cause of death in the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** regular screening and early detection can prevent the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, the Month of March is designated as National Kidney Month to raise awareness of kidney disease and the importance of prevention and early detection.

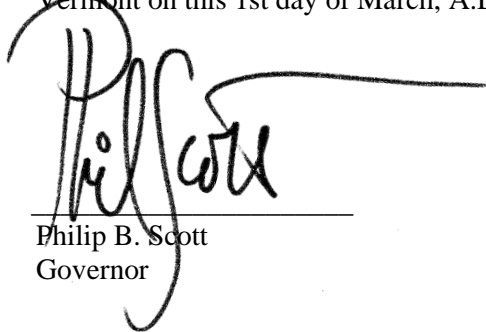
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim March 2021 as

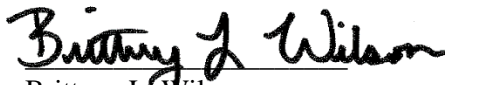
**NATIONAL KIDNEY MONTH**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 1st day of March, A.D. 2021.



  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs