

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the development of safety and health programs in Vermont is important to protect Vermont workers and employers, keeping health and safety in the workplace a top priority; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness and participation in these programs can prevent workplace injuries, improve compliance with regulations, and increase productivity; and

WHEREAS, employers that implement health and safety programs see both a financial and intrinsic benefit, as Vermont's top employers for workplace safety can see as much as 80% reduction in workday injuries, while reducing in workers' compensation costs, and are able to improve the performance and retention of their workforce; and

WHEREAS, the Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Administration works to bring awareness to Vermont safety and health programs, both working to protect Vermonters in the workplace, while also working with employers to ensure they meet or exceed Vermont's safety and health requirements; and

WHEREAS, communicating to Vermonters the importance of workplace safety initiatives will bring further awareness to increase participation in programs to prevent workplace injuries and improve the overall safety of the workplace across the state, benefitting all Vermonters and employers.

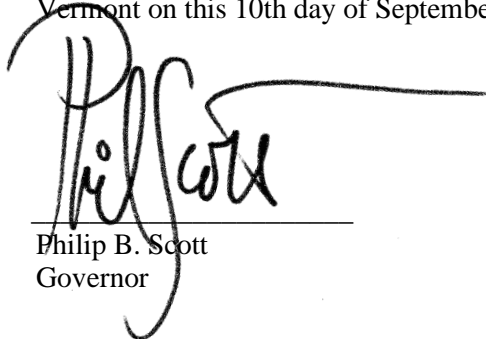
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim September 12-18, 2021 as

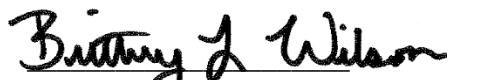
VERMONT WORKPLACE SAFETY WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 10th day of September, A.D. 2021.




Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs