

**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** the purpose of Family Court Awareness Month is to increase awareness on the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety and acts in the best interest of children; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important to increase awareness on the importance of education and training on domestic violence, childhood trauma and post separation abuse for all professionals working within the family court system; and

**WHEREAS,** the mission of organizations such as One Mom's Battle and the Family Court Awareness Month Committee is to educate judges and other family court professionals on the empirical data and research currently available, as this research is a critical component to making decisions that are truly in the best interest of children; and

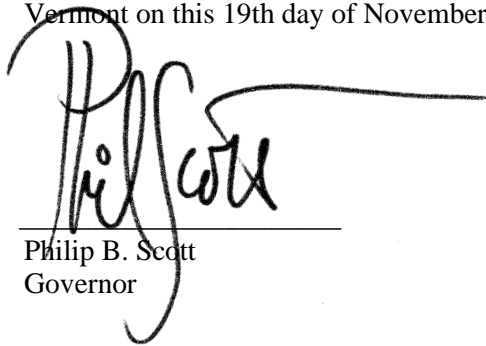
**WHEREAS,** Family Court Awareness Month is a time to increase awareness and advocate for change to the family court system, while honoring the hundreds of children who have been victims of violence by separating or divorcing parents.

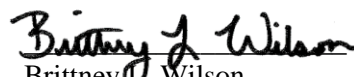
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim November, 2021 as

**FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH**  
in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 19th day of November, A.D. 2021.

  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney C. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs