## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the year 2022 marks the 105th year of the Girl Scout Cookie

Program, the largest girl-led entrepreneurship program for girls in the world, preparing the next generation of female leaders; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts is making the largest financial investment in girls

annually in the United States, encouraging Girl Scouts to follow their own convictions, take the lead in their own stories, and explore

all the extraordinary things they're capable of; 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 safe space where girls can try new things, develop a range of skills, take on leadership

roles, and just 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 alumnae 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 New Hampshire and Vermont.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim February 18-20, 2022 as

## GIRL SCOUT COOKIE WEEKEND

in Vermont.

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Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 16th day of February, A.D. 2022.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney L. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs