

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Ulysses S. Grant was born 200 years ago, in Point Pleasant, Ohio, on April 27, 1822; and
- WHEREAS,** upon the outbreak of the Civil War, Grant offered his services to the Union cause, and rose to be supreme commander of the Union armies in 1864; and
- WHEREAS,** over the course of his battles and campaigns, including at Forts Henry and Donelson, Shiloh, Vicksburg, Chattanooga, the Wilderness Campaign, the Petersburg Campaign, and the Appomattox Campaign, Grant was the principal author of Union victory; and
- WHEREAS,** General Robert E. Lee's surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia to General Grant at Appomattox on April 9, 1865, marked the virtual end of the Civil War. General Grant's military victories enabled the emancipation of slaves; and
- WHEREAS,** Grant was twice elected president, in 1868 and 1872, both times winning Vermont; and
- WHEREAS,** President Grant secured, with Vermont's support, the adoption of the Fifteenth Amendment, which prohibits racial discrimination with respect to voting rights, and he also signed into law the creation of the Department of Justice, several Enforcement Acts, and a Civil Rights Act that protected Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendment rights; and
- WHEREAS,** President Grant achieved significant benchmarks in peace, including the successful resolution of disputes with Spain and Great Britain that threatened war. The Treaty of Washington helped establish the principle of international arbitration as a means for the peaceful resolution of major international disputes; and
- WHEREAS,** The Personal Memoirs of U.S. Grant stand as one of the greatest works of American literature and one of the greatest military autobiographies of all time.

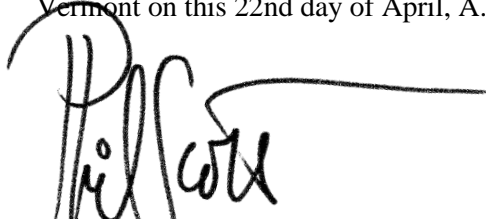
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 27, 2022 as

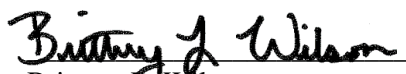
ULYSSES S. GRANT DAY

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 22nd day of April, A.D. 2022.


Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs