

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, bladder cancer is the sixth most common cancer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be approximately 81,180 people in America diagnosed with bladder cancer and an estimated 17,100 will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, bladder cancer occurs approximately four times more often in men than in women, and it is the fourth most common cancer in men; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, approximately 220 new cases of bladder cancer were diagnosed in Vermont; and

WHEREAS, the five-year relative survival rate for bladder cancer is 77% overall; and

WHEREAS, bladder cancer can occur at any age, but a high percentage of people suffering from the disease are older than 55; and

WHEREAS, smoking and exposure to certain chemicals may increase a person's likelihood of developing bladder cancer; and

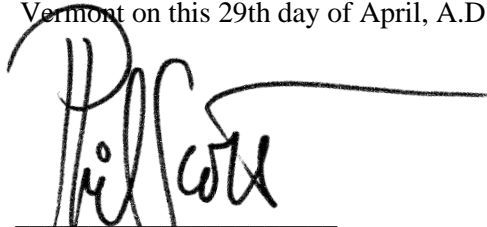
WHEREAS, because a bladder cancer diagnosis can frequently be delayed due to a lack of awareness of the early symptoms, patients should discuss urinary changes or concerns about their urinary systems with their doctors.

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

BLADDER CANCER AWARENESS MONTH


in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 29th day of April, A.D. 2022.



Philip B. Scott
Governor





Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs