State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, individuals, both career and volunteer - from public safety

> dispatchers, law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services, hazardous material response, and emergency management to national guard, transportation, search and rescue, dive, and other organizations in the public safety sector - come together as first responders to protect and aid the public in the event of an

emergency; and

first responders are ready to aid the people of Vermont 24 hours a WHEREAS,

> day, 7 days a week and are our first and best defense against all emergencies, whatever their nature, that threaten our communities;

and

first responders are highly trained, specialized workers who WHEREAS,

contribute their expert skills for the public good, often for no pay;

and

WHEREAS, courageous and selfless concern for others and the duty to protect

and serve are commonly held values among first responders; and

first responders risk their own safety and well-being in the WHEREAS,

performance of their duties to protect Vermonters; and

Vermont thanks each and every first responder for their invaluable WHEREAS,

and selfless contributions to communities across our beloved state

and wishes to honor them for their abiding service.

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim October 28, 2022 as NOW, THEREFORE,

FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of ermont on this 25th day of October, A.D. 2022.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs