State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the year 2023 marks the 106th 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, 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 Girl Scout Mission to teach vital 21st century business skills, the new

Raspberry Rally cookie will be offered online only, giving Girl Scouts experience with e-

commerce, e-marketing, and digital money management; and

WHEREAS, more than half of business leaders who are Girl Scout alums 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 in America enjoyed Girl Scouts during their

childhood, and about 2.5 million girl and adult member worldwide; 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 March 3 - 5, 2023 as

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE WEEKEND

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermont on this 3rd day of March, A.D. 2023.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs