

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI), also known as “brittle bone disease,” is a genetic disorder characterized by fragile bones that break easily; and

WHEREAS, a person born with OI and affected throughout their lifetime can have different types of OI with a range of severity from mild to life threatening; and

WHEREAS, because there is no cure for OI, treatment focuses on minimizing fractures, the surgical correction of deformity, reducing bone fragility, maximizing mobility and independent function; and

WHEREAS, increased education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments; and

WHEREAS, the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation is declaring May 6-13, 2023 to be National Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI) Awareness Week, board members, staff, medical professionals, and volunteers are joining together to focus attention on OI in an effort to increase awareness.

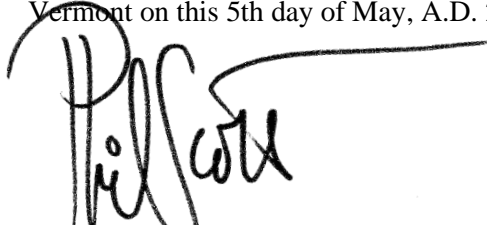
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 6-13, 2023 as


OSTEOGENSIS IMPREFECTA AWARENESS WEEK

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 5th day of May, A.D. 2023.


Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs