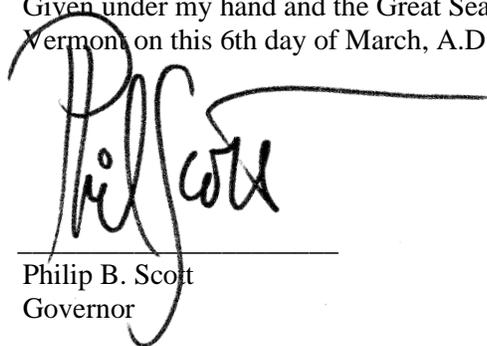


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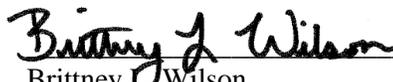
- WHEREAS,** history has shown that flooding is a year-round natural hazard to the people, landscape, and economy of the state; and
- WHEREAS,** whether the cause is heavy rain producing thunderstorms resulting in flash flooding such as the destructive flooding of the Summer of 2023; and
- WHEREAS,** whether the cause is a tropical system, like Tropical Storm Irene in 2011, that produced widespread heavy rainfall resulting in historic, devastating, life threatening, and landscape altering flooding during the summer and fall; and
- WHEREAS,** whether the cause is due to snowmelt and heavy rainfall that occur each winter and early spring, including the December 2023 flooding; and
- WHEREAS,** the Montpelier Ice Jam Flood of March 1992 demonstrated the unpredictability of ice jams, and the considerable property damage and life-threatening flood conditions ice jams produce; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s (NOAA) National Weather Service maintains a dedicated vigilance for threatening weather and flood hazards; and
- WHEREAS,** through partnerships with local and state agencies, including Vermont Emergency Management, NOAA’s National Weather Service is constantly striving to improve its weather warning services and preparedness education for the people of Vermont; and
- WHEREAS,** in the best tradition of public service, NOAA’s National Weather Service and Vermont Emergency Management encourages all Vermonters to be aware of the year-round flood hazards in Vermont and be prepared before and during periods of hazardous weather.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim March 10 – 16, 2024, as

**FLOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK**  
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 6th day of March, A.D. 2024.

  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
Brittney J. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs