

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, ongoing cleaning, disinfecting, and infection-prevention best practices are essential to promoting human health, and workplace cleanliness enhances employee productivity and customer satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, cleanliness reduces instances of absenteeism that negatively impact productivity – the 2016 flu season cost U.S. businesses an estimated \$5.8 billion in healthcare and lost productivity expenses; and

WHEREAS, according to ISSA, the world’s leading trade association for the cleaning industry, cleaned and disinfected surfaces reduce virus concentration by 41.7%. When combined with hand hygiene, this increases to 85.4%; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers and distributors produce and deliver crucial cleaning and hygiene products; and

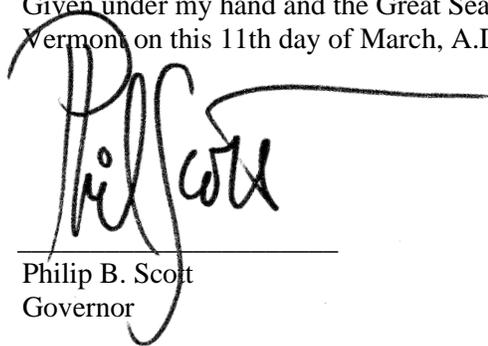
WHEREAS, essential frontline cleaning professionals work tirelessly to keep our schools, hospitals, workplaces, and other spaces healthy and safe for us all; and

WHEREAS, Vermonters proudly support and bring attention to the importance of ensuring clean and sanitary conditions at work, in schools, and at home.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim March 24 – 30, 2024 as

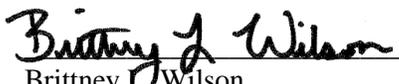
CLEANING WEEK
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 11th day of March, A.D. 2024.



Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney D. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs