

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, there are roughly 2.6 million farmworkers in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, agriculture is a thriving industry that provides \$1.3 trillion in economic impact and provides food for roughly 336 million citizens and beyond; and

WHEREAS, farmworkers provide all Americans with access to safe, healthy, and affordable food; and

WHEREAS, farmworkers are the critical first step in our food supply chain; and

WHEREAS, farmworkers are essential yet their contributions to the foods we purchase often go unseen; and

WHEREAS, farmworkers provide highly skilled, and often physically and mentally challenging labor that is often taken for granted; and

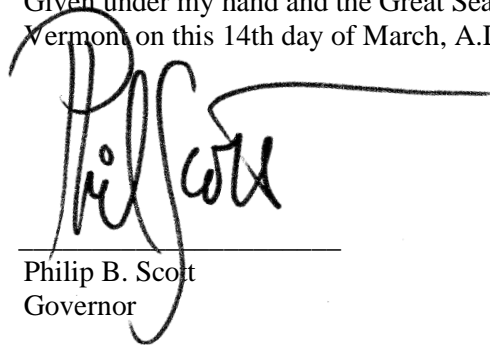
WHEREAS, farmworkers continue to work through, meet and exceed the challenges of Mother Nature, and performed under extreme pressure throughout the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the need for farmworkers continues to grow as the United States continues to produce food for an ever-growing world population.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the March 22 – 30, 2024, as


FARMWORKER AWARENESS WEEK
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 14th day of March, A.D. 2024.



Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs