

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Week of the Young Child, celebrated nationally from April 6-12, is a special time to recognize the importance of early childhood education and the well-being of young children; and

WHEREAS, the first years of a child’s life are the period of the most rapid brain development that lay the foundation for all future learning and the neural pathways of a two-year-old child are more complex than those of the child’s pediatrician; and

WHEREAS, high-quality, available, and affordable child care is essential for the healthy development and future success of our children, contributing to a strong and thriving economy; and

WHEREAS, Vermont is dedicated to fostering an environment that supports and sustains high-quality child care for young children; and

WHEREAS, all Vermont children deserve to be supported by early childhood educators and family support personnel who are diverse, well-prepared, and well-compensated with professional working conditions and opportunities for professional development that add to their expertise in ensuring consistent, high-quality services; and

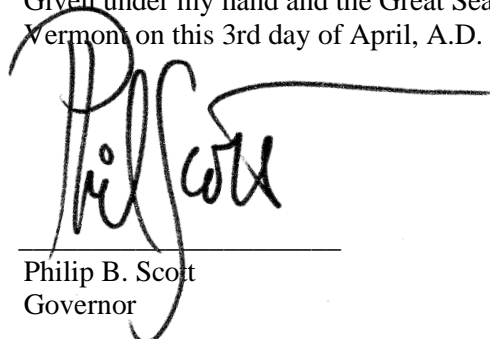
WHEREAS, Vermont is proud to lead the nation in advancing the profession of early childhood education, recognizing the critical role of a well-trained and professional workforce in shaping the future of our children, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, investing in early childhood education not only enhances the lives of our youngest Vermonters but also contributes to the overall prosperity and vitality of our state.


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 6 – 12, 2024, as

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 3rd day of April, A.D. 2024.


Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs