## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS,	50 years ago, the Child Support Program began with a mission to provide every child with the financial support necessary for their well-being; and
WHEREAS,	this program has helped millions of children by giving families the resources they need so kids can grow, thrive, and reach their potential; and
WHEREAS,	the program has not only provided financial stability for children but also fostered involvement from parents, guardians, and caretakers in supporting children's well- being and development; and
WHEREAS,	over the past 50 years, the program has collected billions of dollars in child support nationally, lifting families out of poverty and giving children brighter futures; and
WHEREAS,	in Vermont, the program has been an essential resource for families, helping children across the state get the support they need; and
WHEREAS,	Vermont's dedicated child support staff, and community partners have worked hard to support families and ensure children's needs are met; and
WHEREAS,	over time, the Child Support Program has evolved from a strict enforcement agency into a family-centered service delivery program. By seeking input from families, it has adapted to better address their needs and support children more effectively; and
WHEREAS,	as we celebrate 50 years of the Child Support Program, we look back on the progress we've made and renew our promise to keep supporting children and families.
NOW, THEREFORE,	I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 4 <sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025 as



Brittney OWilson Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermon on this 3rd day of January, A.D. 2025.

Philip B. Scott Governor