

**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** Vermont values the opportunity to provide a safe and welcoming environment for all those who attend, work, and visit our schools; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont’s Agency of Education, Department of Public Safety, Vermont School Safety Center and the Vermont School Crisis Planning Team have dedicated countless hours to provide technical expertise, training resources and crisis planning documents in an effort to enhance the level of school emergency preparedness across Vermont; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont encourages all schools to utilize the resources provided by the Vermont School Safety Center; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont is committed to an all-hazards crisis response planning approach that prepares schools to respond to the wide range of incidents they may encounter; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont understands the importance of schools coordinating with first response organizations and utilizing the National Incident Management System when managing critical incidents regardless of their cause, size or location; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont understands the importance of a positive school climate and culture where every child is provided with an opportunity to learn and grow; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont encourages all schools to continue with their emergency planning efforts and recognizes the importance of future school crisis planning initiatives; and
- WHEREAS,** September is National Preparedness Month which serves as a constant reminder that we all need to plan and prepare for all types of emergencies.

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 2017 as

**SCHOOL SAFETY MONTH**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 1st day of September, A.D. 2017.

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Philip B. Scott  
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brittney L. Wilson", written over a horizontal line.

Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs