

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** alcohol and other drug addiction in Vermont takes a toll on families, the court system and the quality of life for many Vermont citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** it is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts by schools, civic groups, and community members continue to reduce the demand for alcohol and drugs; and

**WHEREAS,** Red Ribbon Week began in 1985 as a grassroots tribute to the late Special Agent Enrique Camarena of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration; and

**WHEREAS,** Red Ribbon Week is a national campaign offering citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles; and

**WHEREAS,** Red Ribbon Week is a time for gratitude for all the lives that remain drug-free, a time to pledge to live a safe and drug-free life, and a time to remember those we have lost to alcohol and drug addiction, and the fight against drugs; and

**WHEREAS,** Vermont's citizens can demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons and openly engaging in alcohol and drug education and activities, thus encouraging a drug-free lifestyle, during this week-long campaign.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 23-29, 2017

**RED RIBBON WEEK**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 20th day of October, A.D. 2017.

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Philip B. Scott  
Governor

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

Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs