

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** Multiple System Atrophy is a rare degenerative and terminal neurological disease, which has a distinctive impact on each patient; and

**WHEREAS,** symptoms include problems with balance, coordination, gait, bladder and bowel functions, speech, swallowing, and breathing; and

**WHEREAS,** a multidisciplinary approach to MSA care includes physical, psychological, and financial support for patients and caregivers, including support groups; and

**WHEREAS,** while there are some medications to treat symptoms and some clinical trials developed to improve treatment, much more research is needed to better manage the disease and ultimately, find a cure; and

**WHEREAS,** increased education and awareness are needed to assist in accurately diagnosing MSA, to raise funds for research for treatments with fewer side effects, and ultimately, a cure; and

**WHEREAS,** March has been proclaimed as Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month among the MSA worldwide community.

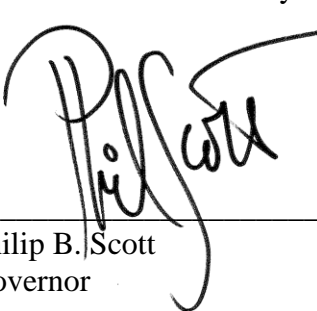
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim March 2018 as

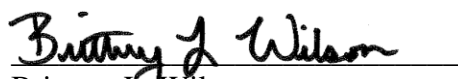
**MULTIPLE SYSTEM ATROPHY AWARENESS MONTH**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 20th day of March, A.D. 2018.

  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs