State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate 34.2 million adults and children in the United States have diabetes and an estimated 88 million adults have prediabetes; and WHEREAS, 44,000 Vermonters live with some form of diabetes; and research shows people at high risk for diabetes can lower their risk WHEREAS, for type-2 diabetes by staying at a healthy weight, eating well, and being active; and WHEREAS, uncontrolled diabetes puts people at risk for serious complications including cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney disease and dialysis, and nerve damage and amputation; and WHEREAS, Dr. Frederik Banting developed insulin as a treatment for type-1 diabetes, saving millions of lives, both those living with type-1 diabetes and those living with type-2 diabetes who have become insulin dependent; and WHEREAS, learning how to self-manage this condition through diabetes selfmanagement education and support is the cornerstone of treatment; and WHEREAS, best practice guidelines to treat diabetes include but are not limited to insulin, oral medication, diet, physical activity, and daily selfmanagement routines; and WHEREAS, awareness of the warning signs of type-1 diabetes is crucial to preventing deaths in misdiagnosed children and as a state, we can work together to educate and support those living with diabetes. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim November 2021 as DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH in Vermont.

Vermont on this 29th day of October, A.D. 2021.

Philip B. Soo Governor

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Brittney L Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs