## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Friday, March 4, 2022, is National Employee Appreciation Day, and offers the opportunity to recognize Vermont's workers and their contributions to their state and local communities; and

WHEREAS, the most recent data released by the Vermont Department of Labor show that 308,107 Vermonters are currently employed; and

**WHEREAS,** this includes Vermont's healthcare and social assistance industry (49,400 jobs), whose workers have provided care and life-saving services throughout the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS,** industries such as manufacturing (30,500 jobs), retail (35,000 jobs) and hospitality (31,100 jobs) are among those with the highest number of jobs for workers in the state; and

**WHEREAS,** Vermont enjoys a diversity of other industries and jobs that support our families and economy, like the trades, agriculture, professional services, and many others; and

**WHEREAS,** some individuals continue to experience unemployment due to the impacts of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS,** the Vermont Department of Labor seeks to provide help for Vermonters to gain skills and connections to get them back to work; and

WHEREAS, Vermont traditionally ranks as one of the best places to live and work, and those interested in moving to Vermont are encouraged to connect with local career specialists to learn more about resources, incentives, and other opportunities to become a Vermont worker; and

**WHEREAS,** the Vermont Department of Labor is standing by for anyone looking for work, whether they are looking to re-enter the workforce, find training opportunities, or are just looking for their next best job; and

**WHEREAS,** we know there are many great employers looking to hire thousands of new employees, today.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim March 4, 2022 as

## **EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 4th day of March, A.D. 2022.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs