State of Permont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Guard and Reserve Forces comprise nearly half of our nation's military strength, and are essential to America's national security: and

WHEREAS, Reserve Component Forces stand ready to answer the call to serve, whether serving alongside their Active Duty counterparts all across the globe or responding to humanitarian crises at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, employer support is stronger now than ever, more than 50 years after President Nixon authorized the Secretary of Defense to establish the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR); and

WHEREAS, our nation is in debt to the citizen service men and women departing the comforts of home to ensure our freedoms remain intact; and

WHEREAS, America pays special tribute to the commitment of dedicated and supportive employers who continue to make service in the Reserve Component possible.

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim August 22-26, 2022 NOW, THEREFORE, as

> **EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE** WEEK

> > in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 18th day of August, A.D. 2022.

Philip B.



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Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

Governor