State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

the Champlain Valley Fair opens its doors for the 100th time on Friday, August 26, WHEREAS,

2022: and

Governor Redfield Proctor, Jr. served to see the first Champlain Valley Fair at the WHEREAS,

Expo, where it provided entertainment and competition for tens of thousands

Vermonters from all corners of the state; and

WHEREAS. over the last 100 years, the Champlain Valley Fair survived the Great Flood of 1927,

the Great Depression, and Tropical Storm Irene, shutting its doors only for the second

World War in 1942 and 1943 and the Coronavirus Pandemic in 2020; and

in 2020 and 2021, the Champlain Valley Exposition staff stepped up during the WHEREAS,

> pandemic by opening an emergency medical center on its grounds, providing relief to hospitals during surges and administering over 80,000 vaccinations to

Vermonters: and

the Champlain Valley Fair is managed by the Champlain Valley Exposition, an WHEREAS,

agricultural 501(c)(3) located in the newly formed City of Essex Junction; and

WHEREAS, the Champlain Valley Fair is known as "The Ten Best Days of Summer" and is

Vermont's largest annual event with over 120,000 fairgoers attending each year; and

WHEREAS, the Champlain Valley Fair hosts over 60 food vendors, 40 rides, 10 days of concerts

and motorsports in the iconic Grandstand, with free entertainment offers throughout;

and

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont invests in the Champlain Valley Fair each year through the

Agricultural Fairs and Field Days Capital Projects Competitive Grants program, to

draw in visitors and contribute to Vermont's economy.

NOW, THEREFORE. I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim August 26 – September 4, 2022 as

100TH CHAMPLAIN VALLEY FAIR WEEK

in Vermont.

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

Vermont on this 26th day of August, A.D. 2022.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs