State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant Program has operated since

> 1974 to provide local governments with the resources required to primarily meet the needs of low and moderate income people; and

WHEREAS, the Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP) within the

Agency of Commerce and Community Development, has administered the state's portion of CDBG funding since 1983 to fund a myriad of economic development, social services and housing programs in

Vermont communities: and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant Program is among the few

remaining federal programs available to address the needs of low and

moderate income persons throughout Vermont; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant Program has provided

> Vermont with important and flexible assistance to meet the needs of low and moderate income residents by funding housing, economic development, sewer, water, and public improvement projects; and

during the past year the VCDP has provided \$8.5 million of grant funding to towns, villages and cities, leveraging over \$96 million in

other investment throughout Vermont communities, which benefited

over 12,000 people; and

Congress and the nation acknowledge the critical value of the WHEREAS.

Community Development Block Grant Program and the significant

projects that rely on its funds for support; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 10-14, 2023 as

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in Vermont.

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

rmont on this 7th day of April, A.D. 2023.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

WHEREAS,

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs