

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Neurofibromatosis (NF), a debilitating tumor disorder, affects over 130,000 Americans regardless of race, ethnicity, or sex; and

WHEREAS, NF is a highly variable and unpredictable genetic disorder of the nervous system that affects almost every organ system in the body; and

WHEREAS, complications of NF can cause brain and spinal tumors, benign and malignant tumors, severe pain, bone abnormalities, blindness, deafness, cardiovascular disease, disfigurement, learning disabilities, and even death; and

WHEREAS, patients and families are at the heart of NF Northeast's mission, the organization brings hope to those affected by NF through their advocacy, support, and awareness; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of NF will help initiate critical research; and

WHEREAS, NF Northeast visualizes a world where the burden of NF is alleviated; and

WHEREAS, the NF patients and families of Vermont are determined to make NF a household word.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 2023 as

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 5th day of May, A.D. 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Scott', is written over a horizontal line.

Philip B. Scott
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brittney J. Wilson', is written above the printed name.
Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs