State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

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for tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, families deserve to feel confident their children will be cared for when they are at

school; and

WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their physical and mental health needs safely met

while in the school setting; and

WHEREAS, students today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring

care in school; and

WHEREAS, school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring

student's academic success for more than 120 years; and

WHEREAS, school nurses address home and community factors (e.g., social determinants) that

impact students' health; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, academic

success, and life-long achievements of all students by serving on the frontlines and

providing a critical safety net for our nation's most fragile children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, families, and healthcare

providers on behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and improving

health outcomes for our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by

providing access to care when children's cognitive development is at its peak; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are members of school-based teams (e.g. school health services,

504/IEP, disaster/emergency planning) providing care coordination to address the

school population; and

WHEREAS, school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position

to make a positive difference for children every day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 10, 2023 as

SCHOOL NURSE DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of **Yermont** on this 6th day of May, A.D. 2023.

Philip B. Scott Governor

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Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs