## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, with 486 total dairy farms and approximately 116,000 cows, dairy

production has contributed significantly to Vermont's unique

identity; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 alone, Vermont dairy farmers worked diligently to harvest

> 2,536,000,000 pounds of milk, which was used in the making of Vermont's world-class fresh cheeses, yogurts, and frozen desserts;

and

the dairy industry is a major part of Vermont's workforce as it WHEREAS,

provides over 13,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, dairy farmer's dedication and resilience has positively impacted the

state's economy, and it has directly contributed \$1.6 billion to

Vermont's GDP; and

in 2023, Vermont dairy products received 142 awards from WHEREAS,

numerous domestic and international organizations, recognizing the

high-quality work our dairy farmers do; and

WHEREAS, this month, the state of Vermont looks to continue to honor our dairy

farmers and the positive impact they have on communities within

the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the June, 2024, as

## **DAIRY MONTH**

in Vermont.

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

nort on this 31st day of May, A.D. 2024.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs