## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington, Vermont, is a vibrant community with a strong tradition of

cultural exchange that foster meaningful connections across the globe; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington and the Kuyalnyk Territorial Community of Ukraine, have

established a Sister City Program to promote mutual understanding and cooperation

between the two communities; and

**WHEREAS,** this Sister City relationship is a testament to the enduring values of friendship, peace,

and collaboration, reflecting a shared commitment to building a better, more

connected world; and

**WHEREAS,** through this program, residents of Burlington and Kuyalnyk will engage in cultural,

educational, and economic exchanges, paving the way for a future filled with

opportunities and understanding; and

WHEREAS, this partnership is a model, illustrating the power of international cooperation and

the importance of unity; and

WHEREAS, Vermont is grateful to Serhiy Palamarchuk, Head of the Kuyalnyk Village Council,

and the entire Kuyalnyk Community for hosting this inaugural delegation of

Vermonters; and

**WHEREAS,** this Sister City relationship is yet another example of Vermonters steadfast support

for Ukrainians as they defend their freedom and democracy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby recognize and commend the City of Burlington

and the City of Kuyalnyk for the inauguration of their Sister City relationship.

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

Wermon on this 24th day of June, A.D. 2024.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney **W**ilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs