State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, credit unions are not-for-profit financial cooperatives, members-owned, operated

and founded by people working together toward economic advancement; and

WHEREAS, credit unions embrace a "people helping people" philosophy by pooling personal

resources and leadership abilities for mutual benefit, empowering their members to

improve their financial futures and helping those in need; and

WHEREAS, credit unions have demonstrated outstanding leadership throughout communities in

which they have served since they were founded over 150 years ago; and

WHEREAS, credit unions have championed the idea that people from all walks of life should

have access to affordable financial services; and

WHEREAS, credit unions empower people to improve their economic situations through local,

state, regional, national and international organizations, sharing the same

commitment to serving members; and

WHEREAS, roughly two out of three Vermonters are credit union members, which provide over

1,200 jobs and contribute over 700 million annually to the Vermont economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 10th day of October, 2024 as

CREDIT UNION DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 9th day of October, A.D. 2024.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney **Q** Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs