

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the mission of the Family Court Awareness Month Committee (FCAMC) is to increase awareness of the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety and acts in the best interests of children; and

WHEREAS, FCAMC is fueled by the desire to create awareness and change in the family court system for the conservatively estimated 58,000 children each year who may face unsupervised contact with potentially harmful parents, while also honoring the memory of children who tragically lost their lives during visitation; and

WHEREAS, the mission of FCAMC is to increase awareness of the importance of empirically-based education and training on domestic violence, child abuse—including emotional, psychological, physical, and sexual abuse—as well as childhood trauma, coercive control, and post-separation abuse, specifically for judges and professionals handling family court cases; and

WHEREAS, FCAMC seeks to promote the use of scientifically validated, evidence-based treatment programs and services that prioritize safety, effectiveness, and therapeutic benefit; and

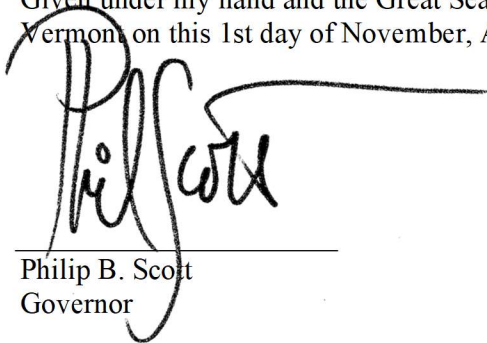
WHEREAS, FCAMC is dedicated to educating judges and family court professionals on evidence-based, peer-reviewed research, providing them with critical insights to guide decisions that truly serve the best interests of children.

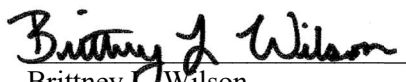
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the month of November, 2024 as

FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH
in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont, on this 1st day of November, A.D. 2024.


Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs