State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont experienced excessive rain combined with water runoff, flooding, erosion, mudslides and other damages statewide extending from the Presidentially Declared Disaster event starting on July 7th 2023, and continuing through August 8, 2023. The state is still experiencing heavy rainfall putting our infrastructure at risk; and

WHEREAS, the flooding, erosion, mudslides, and associated runoff have produced serious and extensive damage to both private and public property. As a consequence, this state has sustained severe damage to its road systems, which include bridges, roadbeds, and other facilities. Damage occurred on both Federal-aid, as well as non-Federal-aid highways; and

- WHEREAS, damage to Federal-aid highways throughout the State has been of such an extent that immediate repairs have been necessary. Such conditions constitute an emergency as is contemplated by the terms of Sections 125 and 120(e) of Title 23, U.S.C., and related.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor of the State of Vermont, do hereby proclaim an emergency to exist throughout the State qualifying for aid under the Federal Highway Administration's Emergency Relief Program as a result of flooding, runoff conditions, and other damages, and consequent danger to life and damage to property including Federal-aid highways. The immediate repair and reconstruction of the damaged highways, mudslides and other damages are vital to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of the State of Vermont. The Federal Highway Division Administrator is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 21st day of August, A.D. 2023.

Philip B. Sec Governor

Brittney LOWilson Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs