State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont has a long and proud tradition of valuing education, as

enshrined in its Constitution; and

WHEREAS, these leaders determine policies that govern the operation of their local public

schools and provide guidance for a statewide system that serves about 84,000

children: and

WHEREAS, Vermont's schools strive to maintain high standards in every aspect of a student's

learning experience so as to best meet the educational needs of all children and to empower them to be informed, engaged and economically secure citizens in an

everchanging world; and

WHEREAS, Vermonters recognize the role of school boards in partnering with administrators and

educators to provide students with a safe and healthy learning environment and

ensure equitable opportunities for intellectual and personal growth; and

WHEREAS, members of local school boards are committed to serving the children and schools

of our communities, and devote many hours to public education as they continually advocate for improvement, excellence, and progress in education, recognizing that

all children can be successful learners; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated Vermonters are responsible for communicating the public's

expectations to the district, by working closely with parents, educational

professionals, and other community members; and

WHEREAS, it is important to acknowledge the commitment and contributions of members of

local school boards who help strengthen our schools and work to provide a well-

managed, affordable and high quality educational experiences for our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the Month of February, 2025 as

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

in Vermont.

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

ermon on this 25th day of January, A.D. 2025.

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs