## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS,

the Vermont State Housing Authority was established on March 23, 1968, to address the need for affordable housing in Vermont; and

WHEREAS,

the Vermont State Housing Authority has the distinction and honor of being the first statewide housing authority in the country; and

WHEREAS,

the Vermont State Housing Authority was created to improve housing conditions and facilities through federal resources and assistance in the field of low-rent housing and private accommodations; and

WHEREAS,

the Vermont State Housing Authority serves approximately 8,500 of Vermont's neediest families throughout every community in the state, demonstrating improved quality of life for both individuals and families; and

WHEREAS,

in its many collaborations and partnerships, the Vermont State Housing Authority is a leader in statewide efforts to end homelessness, to administers the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's special needs programs; and

WHEREAS,

entering their 50<sup>th</sup> year of providing affordable housing, the Vermont State Housing Authority continues to be flexible to changes in federal funding and policies so that we may continue to be innovative in responding to affordable housing needs in Vermont.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim March 23, 2018 as

## VERMONT STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Yermont on this 23rd day of March, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney L. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs