State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

- **WHEREAS,** energy efficiency is the art of getting the same or better performance using less energy all while cutting utility bills for residential, business, and industrial consumers; and
- **WHEREAS,** reliable, affordable energy is vital to our economic prosperity and energy efficiency is one of the most productive and cost-effective ways to meet our energy needs; and
- WHEREAS, implementing clean energy policies and programs help to boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move toward a sustainable future; and
- WHEREAS, cutting energy waste can lower the utility bills of U.S. consumers, up to \$500 per household from appliance efficiency standards alone according to the U.S. Department of Energy; and
- WHEREAS,Vermont's energy efficiency sector continues to grow with about
10,600 jobs that are at least in part energy efficiency related, which
is a 24 percent increase over 2016, and the increased practice of
energy efficiency will create more of these jobs; and
- **WHEREAS,** smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity we need to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions; and
- **WHEREAS,** residents of Vermont can continue to contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by participating in energy efficiency programs.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 5, 2017

ENERGY EFFICIANCY DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 5th day of October, A.D. 2017.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney L. Wilson Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs