

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, with today's system including 56 supervisory unions/supervisory districts, whose nearly 900 board members are volunteer leaders in their communities, determining policies that govern the operation of their local public schools and providing 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 ever-changing 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

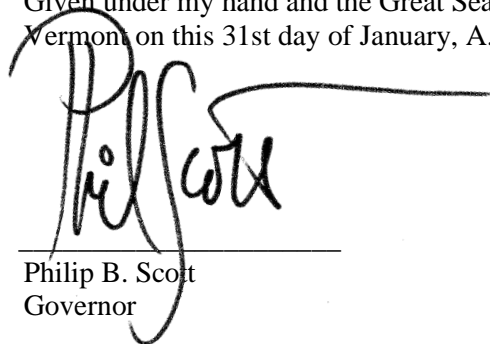
WHEREAS, these dedicated Vermonters are responsible for communicating the public's expectations to the district, by working closely with parents, educational professionals, and other community members; and

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.

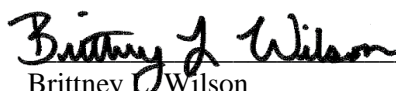
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim February 2024, as

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 31st day of January, A.D. 2024.


Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs