

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, ageism refers to the stereotypes (how we think), prejudice (how we feel) and discrimination (how we act) toward others based on age; and

WHEREAS, there are an estimated 183,157 older adults in Vermont over the age of 60 who are impacted by agism; and

WHEREAS, ageism toward older adults affects their health and longevity, financial well-being and the economy of Vermont; and

WHEREAS, preventing ageism in education, employment, housing and healthcare will benefit all Vermonters; and

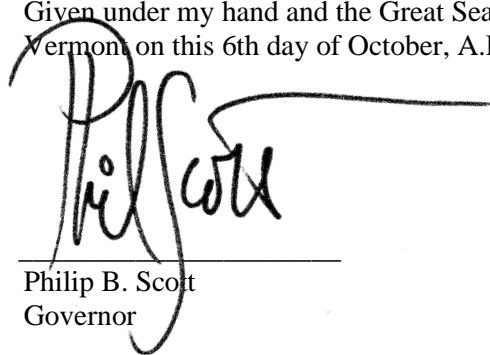
WHEREAS, recognizing that it is up to all of us to ensure older adults are respected and portrayed as capable, competent, effective and valued in all areas of society; and

WHEREAS, ageism awareness and preventing ageism benefits all Vermonters by improving the quality of life within Vermont.


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 7th day of October, 2023 as

**AGEISM AWARENESS DAY
in Vermont.**

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 6th day of October, A.D. 2023.


Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs