## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the vending and convenience services industry in Vermont generates an economic

impact of nearly \$92 million and sustains \$24 million in wages; and

WHEREAS, the vending and convenience services industry has expanded in recent decades to

include a wide array of convenience services and refreshments and has recently

launched a national public health commitment; and

WHEREAS, the vending and convenience services industry uses cutting edge technology to

deliver innovative options to consumers; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, the vending and convenience services industry

served as an essential industry, providing food and beverages to fuel first responders

and other critical industries; and

WHEREAS, Vermont is proud of all the small business owners in the state who own vending

companies; and

WHEREAS, the industry stands uniquely equipped to service food deserts and underserved

communities throughout the nation through its supply chain, commissary and unique

"last-foot" distribution expertise; and

WHEREAS, the National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) has designated March

7, 2024 as "National Vending Day".

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024, as

## **VENDING DAY**

in Vermont.

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

Vermont on this 6th day of March, A.D. 2024.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Brittney Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs