

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities was founded on February 5, 1991 by former Vermont Governor Madeleine M. Kunin and George Hamilton; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities has worked with local leaders in 30 countries to help them build and strengthen communities and combat climate change; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities has led over 100 projects worldwide, training environmental leaders, fostering democracy, working with local government and the private sector to protect the environment and collaborate with citizen leaders in Eastern Europe, the United States, and Asia; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities works with local government leaders from more than 500 communities across the United States to help them create livable and equitable communities even as they adapt to climate change; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities works with factory managers in China, India and Bangladesh to improve health and safety and reduce pollution and greenhouse gas emissions in factories; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities has worked right here in Vermont helping local leaders create Burlington Legacy project, the New England Futures Project, the New England Climate Collaborative, and the Resilient Vermont project; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities provides effective approaches to building a better future shaped and shared by all with citizens around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Sustainable Communities brings the best of Vermont values to countries around the world to help them see what's possible – and make it happen;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim that February 5, 2016, is a day to congratulate the Institute for Sustainable Communities on their 25 years of leadership in helping communities become sustainable.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont
on this 26th day of January, A.D. 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

Peter Shumlin
Governor