

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, one of the primary goals for the State of Vermont is to provide its citizens with an effective criminal justice system that focuses on quality of life and safety for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Vermont's dedicated correctional employees are essential to our justice system; and

WHEREAS, much is expected from the men and women who every day supervise offenders in correctional facilities and in the community and without whose daily hard work and sacrifices we could not operate; and

WHEREAS, correctional employees are skilled professionals who must act as counselors, communicators, educators and experts at crisis interventions, and must protect our safety while maintaining their professional demeanor, often in a challenging environment, and

WHEREAS, correctional employees must possess the intuitive sense to resolve conflict and support restorative activities while housing offenders in a humane environment or supervising offenders in the community, often to the risk of their own well-being, and

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont is pleased to celebrate Correctional Employees Week and is urging all citizens to pay special tribute to these women and men who serve so faithfully;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim June 10-16, 2012 as

CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 7th day of June, A.D. 2012.



/S/
Peter Shumlin
Governor