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**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***

**Lt. Governor Molly Gray Welcomes the Crew Members of the USS Vermont (SSN 792) to the State**

**Montpelier, Vt.**— This afternoon, Lt. Governor Gray welcomed the Commanding Officer, Chief of the Boat, and the crew members of the USS Vermont (SSN 792) at the Lake Champlain Navy Memorial and ECHO, Leahy Center for Lake Champlain to the state.

“It is my honor to welcome to Vermont, the Commanding Officer of the USS Vermont, Commander Charles W. Phillips, III, as well as the Chief of the Boat, and crew members of the USS Vermont on their first visit to the state,” Lt. Governor Gray said.

Vermont has a long history of military service, going as far back as the Green Mountain Boy’s participation in the American Revolution, and includes American victories on Lake Champlain that played a major role in our fight for independence. Our namesake submarine, the USS Vermont, continues the tradition, and the crew proudly upholds Vermont’s naval heritage.

Since setting sail, the USS Vermont has been an active submarine in the U.S. Navy, and among numerous operations, participated in anti-submarine warfare exercises alongside the Brazilian navy in the U.S. 4th Fleet area of operations in December of 2020 and has honorably represented Vermont and the United States at ports across the world.

“I thank the sailors of the USS Vermont for their service and for their leadership representing Vermont and the United States across the globe. You make Vermont proud,” Lt. Governor Gray said.



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