

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Heterotaxy syndrome is a rare congenital defect in which the major visceral organs are distributed abnormally within the chest and abdomen;

WHEREAS, Heterotaxy syndrome is equally common in boys and girls and occurs in all ethnic groups;

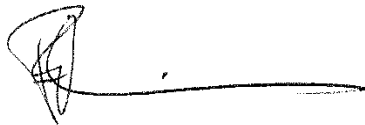
WHEREAS, recent advances in medical treatment and surgical repairs have greatly increased the life span for those with Heterotaxy;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2016 as

HETEROTAXY AWARENESS DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 13th day of April, A.D. 2016



Peter Shumlin
Governor

