

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** there are more than 110,000 Americans and more than 4,600 in New England who are currently waiting for a life-saving organ transplant; and
- WHEREAS,** there are over one million life-enhancing tissue transplants each year that are made possible by the generous donation of corneas, bone, skin or other tissue; and
- WHEREAS,** we can all help to save someone's life and benefit up to 50 recipients by signing up to become an organ and tissue when we apply for - or renew - our drivers licenses or by registering on-line at www.donatelifenewengland.org; and
- WHEREAS,** this observance pays tribute to organ and tissue donors and their families whose decision to Donate Life enables others to receive life-saving organs and tissues for transplant;
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim April 29-May 1, A.D. 2011 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

in Vermont and urge all citizens of the state to take cognizance of the event and to participate fittingly in its observance.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this ____ day of April, A.D. 2011

Peter Shumlin
Governor

By the Governor:

Alexandra MacLean
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs