

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, one of the primary goals of 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; and

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

WHEREAS, much is expected of the men and women who every day supervise offenders in correctional facilities and in the community; 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 in a constantly changing 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim May 15-21, 2011

CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK

in Vermont and urge all citizens to pay special tribute to these men and women who serve so faithfully.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 29th day of April, A.D. 2011.



/S/
Peter Shumlin
Governor

By the Governor:

/S/
Alexandra MacLean
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs