


**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** 25 percent of Vermont's population is composed of children and youth aged 0 – 22; and
- WHEREAS,** about 1 in 5 children and youth have a disability and more than 8 percent of children receive special education services; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1988, the Vermont Legislature passed, and Governor Madeleine Kunin signed into law, Act 264 with the purpose of developing and implementing a coordinated system of care for children and youth with complex needs and their families so they would receive appropriate coordinated services across the Agency of Education and the following departments at the Agency of Human Services: Mental Health, Children and Families, Health, Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living, and Vermont Health Access; and
- WHEREAS,** Act 264 established an entitlement to a Coordinated Services Plan for eligible children and a mandate to ensure parents are centrally involved in planning at both the system and individual levels; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont families have worked continuously to improve the interagency system of care both for their own children and families and for other families in need; and
- WHEREAS,** for the past 30 years, countless professionals across numerous public and private agencies have worked to implement Act 264; and
- WHEREAS,** there is a need to recognize and celebrate the vision and commitment of so many people who have worked and continue to work to assure Vermont's children and youth with complex needs receive effective and coordinated services within their families and communities, enabling all our youth to grow into healthy Vermonters.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 28, 2018 as


**ACT 264 DAY**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 28th day of September, A.D. 2018

  
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Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
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Jaye Pershing Johnson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs