

STATE OF VERMONT
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
A PROCLAMATION


- WHEREAS,** America is blessed with places of natural beauty where citizens can discover the full splendor of this great nation; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont's natural beauty is rich and abundant and should be celebrated as such; and
- WHEREAS,** conserving our natural resources and enhancing our environmental stewardship by protecting our open space, restoring wildlife habitats, educating young people about the environment, planting trees and maintaining recreational areas is an important part of ensuring that Vermonters have safe access to the outdoors; and
- WHEREAS,** Great Outdoors Month is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the local community groups, environmental organizations, and state agencies that work diligently to protect and preserve our natural environment; and
- WHEREAS,** many Vermonters volunteer their time and talents to protect our natural resources, and by working together with the private and non-profit sectors and the general public, we can help preserve our local parks, lakes, rivers and working lands.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, James H. Douglas, Governor, do hereby proclaim **June, 2009** as

GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont this 18th day of June, A.D. 2009.




James H. Douglas
Governor

By the Governor:


Heidi M. Tringe
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs