

STATE OF VERMONT
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, International Education Week is an observance recognizing the many important contributions of international education to our nation's peace and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, international education and exchange incorporate thousands of programs, public and private, campus-based and national, that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders, including study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on U.S. campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to U.S. education; and

WHEREAS, by participating in such programs our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures, and are more prepared for a global environment; and

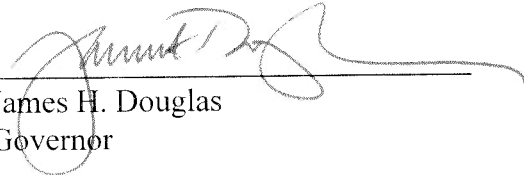
WHEREAS, we live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James H. Douglas, Governor, do hereby proclaim **November 16-20, 2009** as

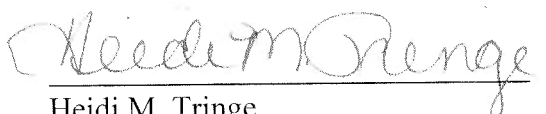
INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont this 3rd day of November, A.D. 2009.


James H. Douglas
Governor

By the Governor:


Heidi M. Tringe
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs