

The State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty Two

CASA APPRECIATION DAY
APRIL 22, 2022

WHEREAS, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children as they endure court proceedings; and

WHEREAS, there are over 600 CASA guardian ad litem volunteers in New Hampshire, who are ordinary citizens with a desire to help children grow up in safe and permanent homes; and

WHEREAS, they get to know the children they serve, and make unbiased recommendations about what they believe to be the best interests of the child's future so that judges can make informed decisions; and

WHEREAS, CASA volunteers provide compassion and consistency to children, and use their time and resources to help children navigate through uncertain and difficult times; and

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, CASA volunteers have found new ways to connect and navigated new technology in order to continue being a reassuring presence in children's lives; and

WHEREAS, as it is Child Abuse Prevention Month and Volunteer Appreciation Week, it is fitting to recognize the advocacy efforts of CASA Volunteers in protecting children across the Granite State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **APRIL 22, 2022** as **CASA APPRECIATION DAY** in the State of New Hampshire, and call this day to the attention of all citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 22nd day of March, 2022.

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Christopher T. Sununu
Governor