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

## A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty

## JUNE 13, 2020

WHEREAS, author Eleanor H. Porter of Littleton, New Hampshire, penned many popular novels and 200 short stories. In 1913, she created the cheerful Pollyanna, the world-famous character whose very name signals an understanding of hope and optimism; and

WHEREAS, today marks the 18th Anniversary of the historic unveiling of the bronze Pollyanna sculpture commissioned by the Eames family, which serves as an "inspiration for the community and all others"; and

WHEREAS, Pollyanna of Littleton stands with a vivid welcoming pose and is known as NH's Most Welcoming Attraction, drawing visitors to New Hampshire from across the United States and many countries worldwide; and

WHERAS, Pollyanna symbolizes the importance of persevering with optimism and hope in the face of challenges and disappointment; and

WHEREAS, the Pollyanna statue serves as a reminder of all that is possible and positive in this world, and represents the durable, spirited optimism of the citizens of New Hampshire;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim JUNE 13, 2020 as POLLYANNA 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 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

Christopher T. Sununu Governor