

# STATE OF MONTANA



## *Governor's Proclamation*



*WHEREAS, Montana is home to more than 120,000 small businesses that drive our economy and employ more than 65 percent of Montana's private workforce; and*

*WHEREAS, Montana small business owners' entrepreneurial spirit, independence, ingenuity, and strong work ethic have helped shape Montana into the state it is today; and*

*WHEREAS, Montana small business during the pandemic have worked hard to create a safe environment for their employees and customers while keeping their doors open; and*

*WHEREAS, Montana small businesses give back to their communities by sponsoring events, students, 4-H, FFA, and many other organizations and causes that benefit our communities and state; and*

*WHEREAS, we, as Montanans, can give back to our small businesses by shopping locally;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 2-8, 2021 to be*

### **SMALL BUSINESS WEEK**

in Montana to honor and promote Montana small business owners and employees.



**GREG GIANFORTE**  
Governor