

# STATE OF MONTANA



## *Governor's Proclamation*



*WHEREAS, Neurofibromatosis (NF) is a rare genetic disorder affecting 2 million people around the world and 1 in every 3,000 births, but is still relatively unknown to the public; and*

*WHEREAS, NF causes tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body and also can affect development of the brain, cardiovascular system, bones, and skin; and*

*WHEREAS, NF can lead to blindness, deafness, bone abnormalities, disfigurement, learning disabilities, disabling pain, and cancer; and*

*WHEREAS, The Children's Tumor Foundation works to improve access to quality patient healthcare through its national NF Clinic Network; and*

*WHEREAS, The Children's Tumor Foundation provides patient and family support through its information resources, youth programs, and local chapter activities; and*

*WHEREAS, much remains to be done to raise public awareness of NF and help promote early diagnosis, proper management and treatment, prevention of complications, and support for research;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2021 to be*

### **NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS DAY**

in Montana in support of individuals living with NF and their families.

**GREG GIANFORTE**  
Governor