

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States among men and women combined; and

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is projected to be the leading cause of cancer deaths for those ages 20-49 by 2030; and

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is one of the few cancers that can be prevented with timely screening, but one in three eligible Americans are not up to date on screening; and

WHEREAS, the National Cancer Institute estimates there could be as many as 4,500 additional colorectal cancer deaths because of the drop in screening due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, observing Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month during the month of March provides an opportunity to increase awareness on the importance of early detection and screening of colorectal cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim March 2022

COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Montana to promote awareness and encourage eligible Montanans to be screened for colorectal cancer.

Greg Gianforte

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Governor