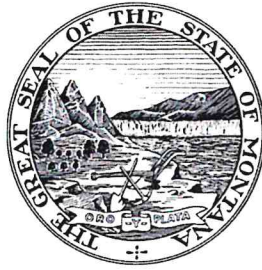


# STATE OF MONTANA



## *Governor's Proclamation*

*WHEREAS, as many as 32 million Americans have food allergies; nearly six million of which are children under the age of 18; and*

*WHEREAS, research shows that the prevalence of food allergies are increasing among children and adults; and*

*WHEREAS, nine foods cause the majority of all food allergy reactions in the U.S.: shellfish, fish, milk, eggs, tree nuts, peanuts, soy, wheat, and sesame. Symptoms of a food allergy reaction can range from mild to severe, such as anaphylaxis which may cause death; and*

*WHEREAS, each year an estimated 3.3 million Americans require emergency room treatment for symptoms of a serious allergic reaction to foods containing allergens; and*

*WHEREAS, emergency medical treatment for severe allergic reactions to food has increased by over 350 percent in only a decade; and*

*WHEREAS, FARE (Food Allergy Research & Education) is a national, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life and the health of individuals with food allergies, and to providing them hope through the promise of new treatments;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana do hereby proclaim May 8-14, 2022*

### **Food Allergy Awareness Week**

in Montana to increase Montanans' understanding and awareness of food allergies and anaphylaxis.

  
**GREG GIANFORTE**  
Governor