

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the bald eagle was designated as the nation emblem of the United States of America on June 20, 1782 by our Founding Fathers at the Second Continental Congress; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle is unique to North America and represents American values such as liberty, equality, and justice; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle is the central image used in the Great Seal of the United States and in the logos of many branches and offices of the U.S. Government, including the President, Congress, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, Department of Commerce, and U.S. Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle and what it represents plays a significant role in the beliefs, traditions, and heritage of Americans from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle was once endangered and faced extinction, and the recovery of the bald eagle was largely accomplished due to the efforts of numerous agencies, corporations, organizations, and citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim June 20, 2022 to be

AMERICAN EAGLE DAY

in Montana to celebrate the bald eagle and recognize its importance to our nation and people.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor