

# STATE OF MONTANA



## *Governor's Proclamation*



*WHEREAS, Montana highway crashes occur year-round, especially during the winter snowstorm season, often leading to secondary crash incidents, blocked highways, and impeded business and commuter traffic; and*

*WHEREAS, dedicated first responders to those crashes, including law enforcement, fire and ambulance, and towing and recovery personnel, risk their lives to care for victims and assist motorists on busy highways; and*

*WHEREAS, threats to first responders can be mitigated by individuals who are approaching the scene of the accident slowing down and moving over; and*

*WHEREAS, the Move Over Law strengthens penalties for those who don't slow their speed by 20 miles per hour and change lanes; and*

*WHEREAS, Crash Responder Safety Week recognizes first responders to roadside incidents and the work they do to protect Montanans traveling on our roads and highways;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim November 14 - 18, 2022 to be*

### **CRASH RESPONDER SAFETY WEEK**

in Montana to recognize the importance of slowing down and moving over for first responders while traveling on Montana's roads and highways.



**GREG GIANFORTE**  
Governor