

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, one in twelve Montana children will experience the death of a parent or sibling by age 18; and

WHEREAS, many individuals feel misunderstood in the wake of loss, thinking that their grief is invisible to those around them; and

WHEREAS, bereaved youth need advocates, supporting them as they navigate a world without their person; and

WHEREAS, effective grief support can help mitigate negative outcomes of grief by fostering positive coping mechanisms and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, this month serves to build a foundation of support for grieving youth, strengthening a national community of bereaved individuals, support service organizations, and community members; and

WHEREAS, Montanans are committed to supporting their neighbors, including by ensuring no child grieves alone;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim November 17, 2022

CHILDREN'S GRIEF AWARENESS DAY

in Montana to raise awareness of grieving children within our communities and ensure no child grieves alone.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor