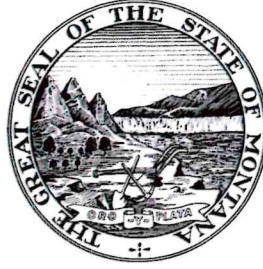


STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, education is the pathway to a brighter and more prosperous future, and teachers help shape, educate, and prepare Montana children for lifelong success; and

WHEREAS, many teachers, especially in our rural districts, wear many hats and work hard every day to get young Montanans the instruction and mentorship they need; and

WHEREAS, to make it easier for starting teachers to begin their careers in Montana, we enacted the TEACH Act in 2021 to provide incentives for school districts to increase starting teacher pay; and

WHEREAS, celebrated each year, Teacher Appreciation Week is a time for Montanans to come together and recognize teachers for their hard work to prepare students for successful futures;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2023

TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY

and the week of May 8 - May 12, 2023

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

in Montana to recognize Montana educators for their work to provide students the best education possible to prepare them for the future.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor