

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, Americans are privileged to worship freely without fear of government intrusion, one of the fundamental principles on which our nation was founded;

WHEREAS, throughout our nation's history, Americans have lifted up fervent prayers to God, seeking guidance, provision, protection, and purpose for the benefit of our state and country; and

WHEREAS, beginning with our Founding Fathers, elected officials have also prayed and entreated those they serve and represent to join them in prayer; and

WHEREAS, in Montana and across America the observance of this year's National Day of Prayer will be held with the theme, "Pray Fervently in Righteousness and Avail Much," based on the verses in James 5:16b, "The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."; and

WHEREAS, we, like President Truman on the first National Day of Prayer, ask God "to grant us wisdom to know the course we should follow and strength and patience to pursue that course steadfastly";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2023

DAY OF PRAYER

throughout our great state of Montana.



GREG GIANFORTE
Governor