

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, researchers estimate that about 1 in every 1,953 babies are born each year in the United States with gastroschisis; and

WHEREAS, many Americans living with gastroschisis have serious and debilitating conditions which significantly impact their lives including slow growth, short bowel syndrome, multiple organ transplants, and long term feeding issues; and

WHEREAS, individuals and families affected by gastroschisis often experience problems such as a sense of isolation, difficulty obtaining an accurate and timely diagnosis, few treatment options, and accessing reimbursement for treatment; and

WHEREAS, the cause of gastroschisis is relatively unknown, leaving patients and their families to bear a large share of the burden for treatment and raising funds for research;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim July 30, 2023

GASTROSCHISIS AWARENESS DAY

in Montana to raise awareness and support for those impacted by Gastroschisis.

GREG GIANFORTE

Governor