

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States among men and women combined; and

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is one of the few cancers that can be prevented with timely screenings, but one in three eligible Americans are not up to date on their screenings; and

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is projected to be the number one cause of cancer death for those aged 20-49 by 2030; and

WHEREAS, colonoscopy screening rates have still not returned to pre-COVID-19 levels; and

WHEREAS, the national goal established by the National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable is to increase timely colorectal cancer screening rates to 80% in every community for all Americans eligible for screening; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim March 2024

COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Montana to promote awareness and encourage eligible Montanans to be screened for colorectal cancer.



GREG GIANFORTE
Governor