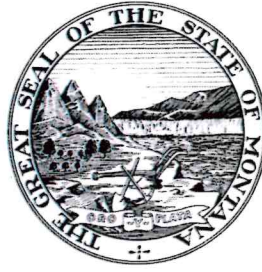


STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, Chronic disease affects thousands of individuals throughout Montana and accounts for 7 of the top 10 causes of premature death in Americans throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Hundreds of thousands of Americans suffer from unpreventable and costly chronic and rare conditions, while the deadliest and costliest chronic diseases, including cardiovascular, stroke, diabetes, cancer, and obesity, are also the most preventable; and

WHEREAS, widespread awareness, increased community engagement and ongoing advocacy is critical to improving patients' quality of life and access to care; and

WHEREAS, Chronic Disease Day is supported advocacy organizations dedicated to assisting patients overcome challenges with access to care throughout Montana and across the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim July 10, 2024

CHRONIC DISEASE AWARENESS DAY

in Montana to support those who deal with a chronic disease.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor