STATE OF MONTANA

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, *National Poison Prevention Week was established by the United States Congress in 1961 and is currently commissioned by the National Poison Prevention Week Council; and*

WHEREAS, *the third full week of March has been designated National Poison Prevention Week to focus the nation's attention on the dangers of poisonings and how to prevent them; and*

WHEREAS, *during this week, we come together as a community to educate ourselves on poison prevention, and pledge our commitment to ensuring the safety of our families, communities, and each other; and*

WHEREAS, *over seventy five hundred possible poisonings in the state of Montana were reported to the Montana Poison Center last year and one call every 13 seconds is handled across the United States with a total of more than four million calls yearly; and*

WHEREAS, *a few ways to prevent poisoning include placing household chemicals out of the reach of children, storing them in their original containers to avoid confusion, and reading product labels, including the recommended dosages on all products;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim March 16-22, 2025*

POISON PREVENTION WEEK

in Montana to raise awareness about poison prevention.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor