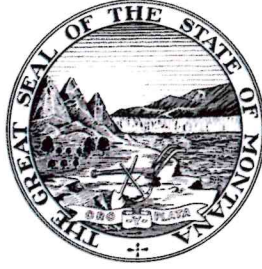


STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, on the night of April 18, 1775, Paul Revere, William Dawes, and other brave riders set out from Boston to warn the countryside of advancing British troops, risking their lives to alert their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, before their departure, a signal of two lanterns was placed in the steeple of the Old North Church—"one if by land, and two if by sea"—ensuring the warning would be seen even if the riders were stopped; and

WHEREAS, this powerful signal, later immortalized in Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem Paul Revere's Ride, has become a lasting symbol of American courage, vigilance, and unity; and

WHEREAS, the alarm riders and the citizens who responded to the Battles of Lexington and Concord demonstrated the spirit of community, duty, and resolve that continues to define our nation; and

WHEREAS, as we approach the 250th anniversary of American independence, the United States Semiquincentennial Commission invites Americans to display two lights on April 18 as a tribute to the American Revolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim April 18, 2025

TWO LIGHTS FOR TOMORROW DAY

in recognition of the enduring legacy of those who risked everything for the promise of freedom—
and the shared commitment to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

A blue ink signature of Greg Gianforte, written in a cursive style.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor