STATE OF MONTANA

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, *education is the pathway to a brighter and more prosperous future, and teachers help shape, educate, and prepare Montana children for lifelong success; and*

WHEREAS, *many teachers, especially in our rural districts, wear many hats and work hard every day to get young Montanans the instruction and mentorship they need; and*

WHEREAS, *to make it easier for starting teachers to begin careers in Montana, we enacted the TEACH Act in 2021 to provide incentives for school districts to increase starting teacher pay;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 6, 2025*

TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY

and the week of May 5 – May 9, 2025

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

to encourage Montanans to recognize teachers for their hard work to prepare students for successful futures.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor