STATE OF MONTANA

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, *service dogs empower people with disabilities to lead lives with greater independence; and*

WHEREAS, *people with physical or developmental disabilities, or who are deaf or hard of hearing, may use a service dog to enhance their independence or their quality of life; and*

WHEREAS, *many veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces utilize service dogs as a means of recovery and companionship; and*

WHEREAS, *Canine Companions is a non-profit organization that enhances the lives of children, adults, and veterans by providing expertly-trained service dogs that help individuals live their lives to the fullest; and*

WHEREAS, *National Service Dog Month aims to educate Americans about the benefits of service dogs and the laws protecting them;*

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

SERVICE DOG MONTH

in Montana to promote the benefits of service dogs and the laws protecting them.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor