

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, children of United States service members deserve support as they sacrifice for our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, ensuring the physical, social, and emotional well-being of children of service members in our schools and communities is essential to their success and allows our men and women in uniform to focus on the challenges and missions they face in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Montana is home to over 6,000 military-connected youth; and

WHEREAS, children of service members are required to step up and take on more responsibilities while their parents serve, and often must move to new communities and start at a new school every few years; and

WHEREAS, children of service members are incredibly resilient and adaptable in their circumstances, understanding the importance of service to our state and nation, leading them to be well rounded, successful individuals that continue to serve and contribute to their communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2026 as

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

and the day of April 15, 2026, as

PURPLE UP! DAY

in Montana to support the children of service members and their families.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor