

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, approximately 5.6 million Americans live with limb loss and limb difference, with more than 500,000 new cases occurring every year; and

WHEREAS, in Montana, approximately 35,000 individuals are living with limb loss or limb difference; and

WHEREAS, diabetes, vascular disease, and infection are among the leading causes of amputation; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown that preventative care, including proper diabetes management, wound care, and safety practices, can be effective in preventing amputations; and

WHEREAS, access to appropriate prosthetic care is essential to help individuals with limb loss and limb difference live healthy, independent lives and fully participate in their communities and workforce; and

WHEREAS, organizations such as the Amputee Coalition provide education, support and advocacy individuals with limb loss and limb difference, their families, and health care providers;

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

NATIONAL LIMB LOSS AND LIMB DIFFERENCE AWARENESS MONTH

in Montana to support individuals living with limb loss and limb difference and promote preventative care.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor