

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, the bald eagle was designated as the national emblem of the United States of America on June 20, 1782, by our Founding Fathers at the Second Continental Congress; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle is unique to North America and represents American values such as liberty, equality, and justice; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle is the central image used in the Great Seal of the United States and in the logos of many branches and offices of the U.S. Government, including the offices of the President, Congress, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, Department of Commerce, and U.S. Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, the bald eagle was once endangered and faced extinction, and its recovery was largely accomplished due to the efforts of numerous agencies, corporations, organizations, and citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim June 20, 2026

AMERICAN EAGLE DAY

in Montana to celebrate the bald eagle and its importance to our nation.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor