STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, mental illness affects our friends, family members, and neighbors, with nearly 20% of U.S. adults living with a mental illness before the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the challenges of the past two years have left many Montanans feeling more alone and isolated than ever; and

WHEREAS, on average, less than half of those affected by mental illness seek treatment due to stigma and a lack of awareness surrounding the issue, especially young adults that struggle with mental illness; and

WHEREAS, individuals living with mental illnesses are not alone in their battle, nor should they feel alone, and should seek support from their family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 2022

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

in Montana to destigmatize mental illness and support Montanans living with mental illness today.



GREG GIANFORTE
Governor