## STATE OF MONTANA



## Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, giving blood can mean giving someone a second chance at life; and

WHEREAS, a sufficient blood supply is a public health issue both locally and nationally, and our hospitals and medical centers need a readily available supply for our residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, one blood donation can help save more than one life, and although most of the U.S. population is eligible to donate blood, only about 3% actually do; and

WHEREAS, Montana is home to many organizations committed to raising awareness about the importance of blood donation, including Vitalant, the American Red Cross, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, Montana Blood Donation Day is a reminder of the importance of replenishing blood supply through donation and community awareness to help Montanans in need;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim September 4, 2024

## MONTANA BLOOD DONATION DAY

to encourage Montanans who are able to make a life-saving blood donation.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor