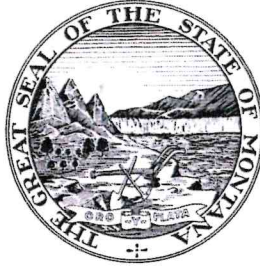


STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, hunting, firearms and the shooting sports are part of Montana's history, tradition and way of life; and

WHEREAS, increasing access to education and shooting sports provides opportunity to safely learn how to shoot and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and

WHEREAS, the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department is not only responsible for the sound management and conservation of wildlife, but also teaches principles of ethical hunting, firearm safety and responsible firearm use; and

WHEREAS, hunting and shooting sports contributes roughly half a billion dollars to the Montana economy; and

WHEREAS, sportsmen and women and recreationalist dollars from license fees, a tax on sporting arms, ammunition, archery equipment and handguns, apportioned to Montana resulting in tens of millions each year in funding for wildlife conservation as well as habitat and hunter education in Montana; and

WHEREAS, in August 2025, organizations, businesses and others will come together to recognize National Shooting Sports Month and to spotlight shooting sports activities enjoyed by millions of Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim August 2025

SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH

and encourage Montanans to safely participate in hunting and shooting sports.



GREG GIANFORTE
Governor