

# STATE OF MONTANA



## Governor's Proclamation



*WHEREAS, congenital diaphragmatic hernia (CDH) is a serious birth defect occurring in approximately 1 in 2,500 pregnancies, in which the diaphragm does not fully form and limits lung development; and*

*WHEREAS, an estimated 1,600 babies are born with CDH each year in the United States, and survival rates remain approximately 50 percent; and*

*WHEREAS, individuals living with CDH often face ongoing medical challenges, while families may experience both the hardships of treatment and the loss associated with this condition; and*

*WHEREAS, raising awareness of CDH supports affected families and advances efforts to improve treatment and outcomes;*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2026**

### **CONGENITAL DIAPHRAGMATIC HERNIA AWARENESS DAY**

in Montana to raise awareness and advance care for those affected by CDH.

**GREG GIANFORTE**  
Governor