

PROCLAMATION

MISSOULA COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MISSOULA

- WHEREAS,** the climate crisis is caused by human activity, especially the burning of fossil fuels, and is harming people and natural systems locally and around the world, through worsening environmental disasters, public health emergencies and economic disruption; and
- WHEREAS,** climate solutions like solar and clean energy are affordable, available and create significant additional benefits like economic development, lower energy costs, and clean air and water; and
- WHEREAS,** since its founding in 1970, Earth Day has united citizens around the world in a shared commitment to take action to protect our planet's natural systems and the people that rely on them; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Missoula and Missoula County have committed to climate action for many years in alignment with the 2015 Paris Agreement; have shared commitments to climate resilience via the Climate Ready Missoula plan and to achieving 100% clean electricity for the Missoula urban area by 2030; and are dedicated to policies and programs, like our shared Electrify Missoula campaign, that support the clean energy transition; and
- WHEREAS,** the Earth Day 2025 theme of "Our Power, Our Planet" recognizes the urgent need for global investment in clean energy and energy savings. It also underscores the significant social, economic and public health benefits of climate solutions within our county, and offers a role for everyone to act.

NOW THEREFORE, WE, the Missoula Board of County Commissioners and the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, do hereby recognize the 22nd day of April 2025 as

EARTH DAY

and call on our communities, including all residents, businesses and institutions, to engage in the meaningful climate actions that are necessary to achieve our goals.

DATED THESE 21ST AND 24TH DAYS OF APRIL, 2025

CITY OF MISSOULA



Andrea Davis, Mayor

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MISSOULA COUNTY**



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