

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** The Republic of Finland declared its independence from Russia on December 6, 1917; and

**WHEREAS,** Finnish immigrants contributed significantly to the history, economy, arts and culture of Montana; and

**WHEREAS,** Descendants of Finnish people continue to contribute to Missoula's and Montana's vibrant cultural and economic well-being; and

**WHEREAS,** December 6, 2017 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Finnish Independence.

**NOW THEREFORE,** I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the Month of December 2017 as;

## FINLAND'S 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE MONTH

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, to be affixed at Missoula, Montana, this 11th day of December, in the year two thousand seventeen.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Engen".

John Engen  
Mayor