## PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS**, public transit benefits us all in Missoula by reducing traffic and parking congestion, improving air quality and making our city more equitable and accessible to all; and
- **WHEREAS**, public transit operators fill an important role in our community by getting people where they need to go, from work and school, to medical appointments, grocery stores, and other essential services; and
- **WHEREAS**, public transit operators frequently go above and beyond the call of duty, working long hours and safely operating our transit system in rain, snow, extreme cold, wind and an ongoing global pandemic; and
- **WHEREAS**, public transit operators help to build our community by knowing their passengers, celebrating their successes, aiding in times of crisis and greeting them every day with friendly faces; and
- **WHEREAS**, Mountain Line and UDASH provide essential services to our community at zero fare for the benefit of all residents and visitors of Missoula.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022 as:

## TRANSIT OPERATOR APPRECIATION DAY

**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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the year two thousand twenty-two.



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John Engen Mayor