PROCLAMATION

MISSOULA COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MISSOULA, MONTANA

WHEREAS, the winter poses extreme hardship for unsheltered and inadequately housed individuals, families and children in Missoula; and

WHEREAS, residents of Missoula will gather on the longest night of the year, Dec. 21, 2022, to honor and remember homeless individuals who have died in our community and environs; and

WHEREAS, since 1990, Dec. 21 has been designated National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day by the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council, and is recognized by cities and states nationwide; and

WHEREAS, in remembering those who have died without a house of their own, we keep urgent the cause of ending homelessness, the need for compassionate response, and the City and County's collective commitment to prevent such deaths in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, Juanita Vero, Josh Slotnick and David Strohmaier, Missoula County commissioners, and Jordan Hess, mayor, do hereby recognize the 21st day of December 2022 as:

HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY

DATED THIS 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022

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CITY OF MISSOULA

Jördan Hess, Mayor

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MISSOULA COUNTY

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Josh Slotnick, Commissioner

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