

PROCLAMATION

MISSOULA COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MISSOULA, MONTANA

WHEREAS, the **Meals on Wheels** program at Missoula Aging Services is a valuable resource to older adults in Missoula County; and

WHEREAS, in the past year in Missoula County, more than 90 **Meals on Wheels** volunteer drivers delivered 125,579 meals to 781 homebound individuals, community lunch sites served 32,622 meals to 768 clients, and 19,800 units of liquid supplement were provided to clients, and 50% more people were served than before the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, volunteer drivers for **Meals on Wheels** are the backbone of this program through their dedication to bring not only hot, nutritious meals to clients, but also caring concern and attention to their welfare; and

WHEREAS, Missoula Aging Services counts on these volunteers and the support of the community to serve the growing numbers of older residents who need this service in order to remain in their homes; and

WHEREAS, we wish to raise awareness and support for **Meals on Wheels** in Missoula and surrounding areas.

NOW THEREFORE, WE, the Missoula Board of County Commissioners and the Mayor of the City of Missoula, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2023, as

MARCH FOR MEALS MONTH IN MISSOULA, MONTANA



and invite citizens to thank the caring volunteer drivers, recognize the value of this service to homebound elders and adults with disabilities, and encourage citizens to volunteer as **Meals on Wheels** drivers so elders may remain in their homes.

CITY OF MISSOULA


Jordan Hess, Mayor

COUNTY OF MISSOULA


Josh Slotnick, Chair


Dave Strommayer, Commissioner


Juanita Vero, Commissioner

