PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Five Valleys Land Trust is a Missoula-born organization that has provided benefits to the Missoula and wider western Montana community for nearly 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Five Valleys Land Trust has helped to protect over 95,000 acres of our beautiful and irreplaceable landscape since 1972, and

WHEREAS, Many of the trails and community open spaces surrounding our fair city, including Mount Jumbo, the Kim Williams Trail, Waterworks, Mount Sentinel, the Rattlesnake Greenway, Marshall Mountain, and Mount Dean Stone have been protected and provided due to the efforts of Five Valleys Land Trust, and

WHEREAS, Open lands provide places to recreate, nurture physical and mental health, increase our community's quality of life, and foster an appreciation for the natural world; and

WHEREAS, The work of Five Valleys Land Trust ensures that thousands of acres of community open spaces, river corridors, wildlife habitat, and agricultural lands across ten counties in western Montana are protected and stewarded in perpetuity so that future generations may enjoy them.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the 15th day of May, 2021 as:

FIVE VALLEYS LAND TRUST 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 3rd day of May, in the year two thousand twenty-one.



John Engen Mayor