## PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS**, In-home healthcare services allow seniors to stay in a comfortable, dignified environment closer to their families in the communities they spent their lives building; and
- **WHEREAS**, providing direct care in a small individualized setting is an important tool in combating the spread of infectious diseases including coronavirus; and
- **WHEREAS**, caregivers have been on the frontline of fighting the pandemic, making extraordinary sacrifices to protect the places and people they serve; and
- **WHEREAS**, there is a critical need for increased federal funding to stabilize the long-term care system, increase wages and provide professional training to better meet the present and future needs of our community; and
- **WHEREAS,** the city of Missoula remains committed to creating high-skilled good-paying jobs that protect our most vulnerable populations.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the 13th day of July 2021 as:

## **CAREGIVER 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 13th day of July, in the year two thousand twenty-one.



John Engen Mayor