

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Epilepsy Awareness Month is a nationwide effort to raise awareness about the epilepsies, seizures, and side effects, as well as improving the lives of people affected by epilepsy through education, advocacy, research, and connection; and

WHEREAS, epilepsy is defined by a tendency to experience seizures—sudden, abnormal bursts of electrical activity in the brain that can disrupt behavior, awareness, and bodily control; and

WHEREAS, epilepsy can also lead to challenges such as fatigue, memory difficulties, mood changes, anxiety, and trouble concentrating, all of which can significantly impact daily life; and

WHEREAS, epilepsy is the fourth most common neurological disorder. Nearly 3.4 million people in the U.S. including nearly 11,000 people in Montana live with active epilepsy; and

WHEREAS, we must increase public knowledge about the epilepsies and seizure first aid to change the way people think about the epilepsies and seizures, decrease stigma and improve outcomes because 25% of the general public say they would be nervous around a person with epilepsy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrea Davis, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the month of November as:

EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH

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, on the 27th day of October, in the year two thousand twenty-five.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Davis".

Andrea Davis
Mayor