

# Governor's Proclamation



## Men's Health Month

**WHEREAS**, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women, with Native American and African-American men having the lowest life expectancy; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is destroying lives across the country, with the Centers for Disease Control reporting that males are more likely to die from this pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and

**WHEREAS**, men who are educated about the value that preventive health can play in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members will be more likely to participate in health screenings; and

**WHEREAS**, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

**WHEREAS**, Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop a national men's health awareness period as a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, and prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and Whereas, the citizens of this state are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK GORDON**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim June 2021 as

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in the State of Wyoming, and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts throughout the year.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Gordon".

The Honorable Mark Gordon  
33<sup>rd</sup> Governor of the Great State of Wyoming