

MALNUTRITION AWARENESS WEEK

State of Wyoming By the Governor

WHEREAS, malnutrition is a condition where there is an imbalance or deficiency of essential nutrients in the body, leading to adverse effects on health; and

WHEREAS, malnutrition, is prevalent in many groups, including many vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, over 2 million hospital stays involve malnutrition per year, and each day, approximately 15,000 hospital patients with malnutrition go undiagnosed resulting in longer hospital stays, increased hospital costs, and higher readmission and mortality rates; and

WHEREAS, malnutrition leads to more complications and falls, and plays a role in cognitive deterioration, decreased functional capacity, and affects quality of life; and

WHEREAS, addressing malnutrition requires a comprehensive approach that includes increasing access to nutritious food, promoting healthy lifestyle choices, improving patient care, and advancing research; and

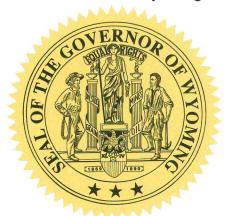
WHEREAS, screening, assessment, diagnosis, and intervention are key to improving malnutrition in Wyoming and throughout the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK GORDON, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim September 18–22, 2023, as

Malnutrition Awareness Week

in Wyoming.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 11th day of August, 2023.



The Honorable Mark Gordon 33rd Governor of the Great State of Wyoming