

# ***PROCLAMATION***

**WHEREAS**, courageous men and women of Montana have a history of stepping forward in defense of our great nation, sometimes at the cost of their minds, their bodies, and their souls; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly fifty percent of Montanans live in rural areas of our frontier state without the convenience of veteran health care facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in our current economy, many military veterans find themselves without work, without resources, without a home, and ultimately, without hope; and

**WHEREAS**, VETS4VETS, a Great Falls area group of combat veterans, sympathizing with our brothers and sisters in arms, has assembled a host of volunteers on September 13 and 14, 2024, to provide needed medical and social services to all those men and women who have answered the call.

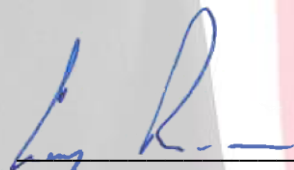
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORY REEVES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS**, in recognition of all Military Veterans, do hereby proclaim September, 2024, as

## **VETS4VETS MONTH**

and encourage all citizens to join in this 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Stand Down to express gratitude to those who have served and those who are now serving to protect our nation and its freedoms.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.



  
Cory Reeves, Mayor

