

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the Fulbright-Hays Act of 1961 enables the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the U.S. and the people of other countries by means of educational and cultural exchange; and

**WHEREAS**, such activity strengthens the ties which unite us with other nations and contributes toward the development of friendly and peaceful relations between the U.S. and the other countries of the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center of the University of Montana has a mission to support the people of Missoula in participating in international exchanges to support U.S. foreign policy goals and to deepen capacity to engage in a global economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Hellgate High School Student Ian Knight has represented Missoula as an exchange participant in the U.S. Department of State American Youth Leadership Program and has won the Grand Prize in the 2017 Citizen Diplomacy Challenge for the photographic depiction of his Thailand exchange experience; and

**WHEREAS**, this demonstrates the value the U.S. Department of State places on expanded global engagement for the people of Missoula as the Mansfield Center and the University of Montana collaborate with local government, business and non-governmental partners to internationalize our community.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018 as;

## International Exchanges 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 20th day of March, in the year two thousand eighteen.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Engen".

John Engen  
Mayor