WYOMING NATIVE PLANT MONTH

State of Wyoming
By the Governor

WHEREAS, native plants are indigenous species that have evolved alongside native wildlife and occur naturally in a particular geographic region, ecosystem, and habitat; and

WHEREAS, native plants are essential for healthy, diverse, and sustainable ecosystems and are critical for cleaning air, filtering water, and stabilizing soils; and

WHEREAS, native plants are well-adapted to Wyoming's soils, climate, and environmental conditions, making them a critical component of conserving and protecting our environment, and adapting to its changes; and

WHEREAS, native plants provide food including nectar, pollen, seeds, and foliage for native birds, insects, and other wildlife in ways that non-native plants cannot; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming is home to more than 2,500 native plant species which include large shade trees, shrubs, vines, grasses, and wildflowers; and

WHEREAS, it is important to encourage public awareness about the benefits of Wyoming's native plants to pollinators and other wildlife, to the economy, and to the health and sustainability of Wyoming's treasured ecosystems.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK GORDON, Governor of the State of Wyoming do hereby proclaim the month of April 2026, to be

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in Wyoming. I encourage all Wyoming residents to participate in the recognition and celebration of the importance of native plants to Wyoming's rich biological heritage and as a source of food and habitat for native wildlife by planting native trees and flowers in their yards, removing non-native invasive plants from their communities, and educating themselves about the many benefits of native plants.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 4th day of February, 2026.

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