

**WHEREAS**, the University of Wyoming has continuously increased its competitive research enterprise; and

**WHEREAS**, research is a critical mission of the University. As a land grant institution, it was founded on the premise that through research, creativity, and scholarship, new knowledge can be discovered and disseminated, not only to students, but also for the benefit of society; and

**WHEREAS**, research is an important education methodology through which students master their discipline and hone valuable analytical skills and the ability to work effectively with colleagues; and

**WHEREAS**, the University of Wyoming has emerged as a leader in promoting undergraduate research. While many universities have impressive research activities, their success stems from the efforts of faculty assisted primarily by graduate students. While the University of Wyoming boasts high-quality graduate programs, undergraduates participate in a broad spectrum of research activities; and

WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming emphasizes the participation of undergraduates in research through a number of means, including an annual undergraduate research day. This event provides an opportunity for University of Wyoming undergraduates to showcase their research efforts to the campus community and to the public. This year, Undergraduate Research Day will be held Saturday, April 20, 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK GORDON,** Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim April 20, 2024 to be

## A CELEBRATION OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AND INQUIRY ACROSS THE DISCIPLINES

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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2024.



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