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Dear Patricia:

I am pleased to recognize "Watch Out for Wildlife Awareness Week" in Montana.

Montana offers large, open landscapes and provides valuable habitat for a wide variety of wildlife including bighorn sheep, bald eagle, black bear, moose elk, deer, and many others. Wildlife protection and conservation initiatives are top priorities for my administration.

I commend your efforts to reduce the risk of wildlife-vehicle collisions. These incidents are costly to wildlife populations and can be devastating for drivers, passengers and their families when death or injury occurs.

Please keep me informed of your efforts to promote transportation alternatives and solutions that address this important ecological and public safety issue.

Best wishes for a successful "Watch out for Wildlife Week".

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER

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