

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, wildfires increasingly pose a threat to homes and communities throughout the West as more people move into the wildland areas of our state, and most of these fires are human caused; and

WHEREAS, the unprecedented growth of the wildland-urban interface has elevated the need for wildfire prevention and preparedness at both the community and individual homeowner levels; and

WHEREAS, coordinated education concerning how, where, and why wildfires burn as well as collaborative efforts to increase survivability of homes and property are paramount in existing in a fire environment; and

WHEREAS, the local, state, and federal wildfire agencies of Idaho in partnership with fire prevention organizations in the state are working together to increase awareness of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, citizens should also take steps to better prepare their homes and communities for wildfires and work toward becoming a fire adapted community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2023 to be

WILDFIRE AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho, and I encourage Idaho citizens to recognize this special observance.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-seventh, and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirty-third.

BRAD`LITTLE GOVERNOR

PHIL MCGRANE SECRETARY OF STATE