PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Wyoming’s citizens are proud of their independence and freedom; and

WHEREAS, October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, employment opportunities should be available to everyone; and

WHEREAS, Employment First is a philosophy that people with disabilities can and should have opportunities to work in their communities and be paid competitive wages; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the Wyoming Legislature created an Employment First Taskforce to put together an Employment First Plan for the State of Wyoming with implementation components in the Departments of Administration & Information, Education, Workforce Services, Family Services and Health; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming’s Employment First Taskforce believes that Wyoming needs a coordinated state effort to examine existing practices and to identify and address barriers to employment for people with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim October, 2017 as

EMPLOYMENT FIRST AWARENESS MONTH

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 _ day of October, 2017.

Matthew H. Mead
Governor