

# Governor's Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, excellence in education is vital to the success of Wyoming and each child and adolescent is entitled to a good education; and

**WHEREAS**, students prepare for responsibilities and opportunities of the future through education which helps develop intellect through lessons in literacy, math and science; and

**WHEREAS**, one shining example of what education ought to be was provided by the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, a global spiritual leader who dedicated his life to the betterment of mankind and was a tireless advocate for youth around the world. The Rebbe emphasized the importance of education and good character, and instilled hope for a brighter future in the lives of countless people in America and across the globe; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rebbe taught that education should not be limited to the acquisition of knowledge and preparation for a career "to make a better living," and "better living" should encompass not only for the individual but also society as a whole. The educational system should focus on building character, with emphasis on moral and ethical values; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the Rebbe's lasting contributions toward improvements in education, morality and acts of charity, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress established his birth date as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education. The President of the United States has paid recognition to the Rebbe's vision each year on this day by proclaiming it "Education & Sharing Day USA"; and

**WHEREAS**, the character is strengthened by serving a cause greater than self and by anchor virtues, including courage and compassion.

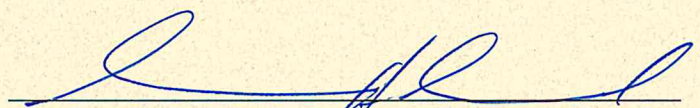
**NOW THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2017 as

## **EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY**

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 6 day of April, 2017.



  
Matthew H. Mead  
Governor