

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado recognizes the three Ute Nations which include Colorado's two resident tribes, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and their sister Tribe, The Ute Indian Tribe whom have called Colorado and its neighboring states home since time immemorial and whom continue to thrive in Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, and elsewhere; and*

*WHEREAS, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe currently resides on the Southern Ute Reservation located near Ignacio, Colorado; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe currently resides on the Ute Mountain Ute Reservation in Towaoc, Colorado; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ute Indian Tribe was forcibly removed from Colorado in the 1800's and now resides on the Uintah and Ouray Reservation in Fort Duchesne, Utah; and*

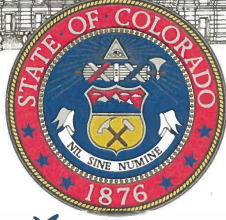
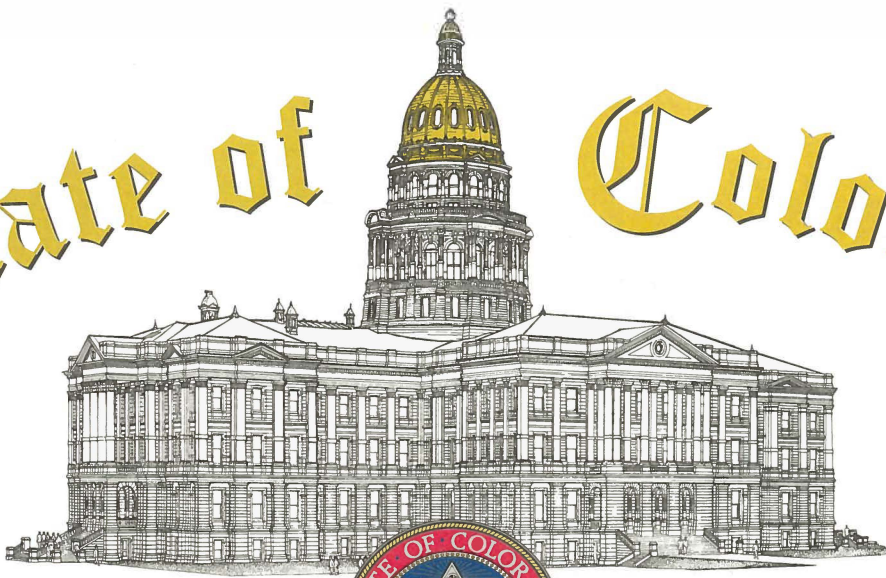
*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado celebrates and honors the rich and storied heritage of the Ute Nations whom are an integral part of Colorado's history and contemporary life, providing vital contributions to government, medicine, education, religion, the environment, and the military; and*

*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado celebrates and honors the contributions and sovereignty of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and the Ute Indian Tribe and encourages its citizens to actively seek knowledge about the history and heritage of the Ute people in Colorado's, past, present, and future; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ute tribal flags and associated descriptive plaques will be located prominently in the Colorado State Capitol building and be the starting point for Capitol building visitor tours to both recognize the Ute Nations and raise public awareness of the Ute people; and*

*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado and the two Colorado Ute Tribes continue to strengthen our state and tribal government-to-government relationship to increase public safety, education, healthcare, and economic development on their reservations; and*

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*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado partnered closely with the Ute Tribes over a four year period to create the History Colorado exhibit "Written on the Land: Ute Voices, Ute History" which tells a story of the Ute peoples' past and present through Ute voices; and*

*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado collaborated with the Ute tribes to create the Ute Resource Guide for 4th grade educators so that Colorado students can attain a more complete account of Colorado's history and learn about Ute culture, history, and contemporary life; and*

*WHEREAS, the state of Colorado designates Ute Day at the Capitol to publicly celebrate and honor the Ute Nations; and*

*WHEREAS, the State of Colorado endeavors to maintain strong, respectful relationships between Colorado's sovereign Native American Nations with whom we share this state and whom continue to call Colorado home.*

*Therefore, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2019 as*

### *UTE DAY AT THE CAPITOL*

*in the State of Colorado.*

*GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-first day of March, 2019*

*Jared Polis*

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Governor*

