

# Governor's Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, many Wyoming residents lack access to civil legal assistance. Pro bono legal services are a benefit to citizens and contribute to effective and efficient justice; and

**WHEREAS**, the demand for civil legal services exceeds the capacity of legal aid programs and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the Wyoming State Bar, their paralegals and staff contribute legal services and facilitate access to justice by donating free legal services and volunteering with Access to Justice programs; and

**WHEREAS**, National Celebrate Pro Bono Week highlights the importance of pro bono attorneys and successful partnerships between the private bar and legal aid programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Equal Justice Wyoming is joining with the Wyoming State Bar, the University of Wyoming College of Law, the American Bar Association, legal aid staff and many local bar associations across the state to participate in this year's Pro Bono Week celebration; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming attorneys are volunteering at events across the state during Celebrate Pro Bono Week.

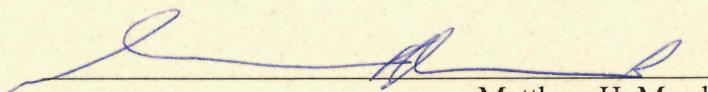
**NOW THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim October 23 – 29, 2016 as

## **CELEBRATE PRO BONO WEEK**

in Wyoming, and encourage all citizens to recognize Wyoming's legal community and its efforts to ensure access to justice in the Equality State.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 23 day of October, 2016.



  
Matthew H. Mead  
Governor