

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
STATE OF MONTANA

GREG GIANFORTE
GOVERNOR



KRISTEN JURAS
LT. GOVERNOR

June 10, 2023

Friends,

Welcome to the 2023 Montana Barbeque Cook-Off in Absarokee, MT.

It is my pleasure to recognize this event as an official State Barbeque Championship in the state of Montana. First off, I want to thank the entire community, local businesses, and supporters for coming together to put on this wonderful family friendly event once again.

The Annual Montana BBQ Cook-Off is a sanctioned event of the Kansas City Barbeque Society, the largest organization of barbeque and grilling enthusiasts. Contestants from across Montana and the nation travel here to compete for the title of Grand Champion. The winner will receive an invitation to the American Royal Barbeque Cook-Off, the world's largest barbecue contest.

From the robust flavors to the tender meat and friendly hosts, I hope you enjoy your time during this special Absarokee tradition. I wish the contestants success and hope you all brought your appetites.

Sincerely,

Greg Gianforte
Governor