



*Executive Department
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor
Proclamation*

*State Capital
Boise*

WHEREAS, hunting, firearms, and the shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, increasing access to education and shooting sports provides opportunities to safely learn to shoot and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game is not only responsible for the sound management and conservation of wildlife but also teaches principles of ethical hunting, firearms safety, and responsible firearm use; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of Idaho residents young and old participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and

WHEREAS, hunting and shooting sports contributed more than \$2.45 billion to the Idaho economy in 2023; and

WHEREAS, sportsmen and women and recreationalist dollars from license fees, a tax on sporting arms, ammunition, archery equipment and handguns, apportioned to Idaho results in almost \$23 million in funding for wildlife conservation, habitat, and hunter education in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, in August 2024, organizations, businesses and others will come together to recognize National Shooting Sports Month and to spotlight shooting sports activities enjoyed by millions of Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim August 2024, to be

NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH

in Idaho, and I encourage Idaho citizens to recognize this special observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of August, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-ninth, and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirty-fifth.

*PHIL MCGRANE
SECRETARY OF STATE*

*BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR*