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## REIGN 6 STEPDOWN 2025



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A Letter from Countex VI

Welcome, all, to the Reign VI Stepdown: Midnight Reign. It has been an honour to serve as the first non-binary titleholder in the history of the Countship with my beloved sister, Countess VI, Alotta Hull, by my side. I am excited to celebrate the triumphs and honor the tribulations we had to face to be here this evening.

With each passing day, I have more respect for those who have reigned before me. I am taken back to one fateful tinder swipe in June of 2020, which brought me an amazing friend and mentor, my mother. Sofia Gloria Hull. I never imagined that I would be in a position to lead and uplift the Montana queer community and I thank you for your constant guidance and support over the last five years. From the bottom of my heart, I could not have done this without you. To my tia Anita Poosay, words cannot express what your mentorship means to me. Though nobody can fully understand what reigning entails until they have experienced it, you were always honest about how much work I would be taking on. As I continue to watch you serve as a pillar to Bozeman and your new Salt Lake City community, I cannot believe how lucky I am to have you in my life. You are truly a role model that everyone should look up to. I am so incredibly lucky to be able to call you both my family.

To our Privy Council, a huge thank you is in order. Kree, Chloe, Charlotte, Cass, Brendon, Eric, and Micayla; each of you has put forth immeasurable effort to make sure we could better the lives of our Montana queer community. I am eternally grateful for your year of hardwork and dedication as we worked to advocate, educate, entertain, and create a more inclusive world for the next generations. The memories we have made along the way will stay with me forever.

To my community, I will never be able to thank you enough for welcoming me in with open arms. When I moved here five years ago, I had never experienced this level of connection with other queer people. Montana has shown me the true meaning of queer excellence. This community is now my family, and I will always put forth everything I possibly can to support each and every one of you.

With endless love and laughter,

Maria Juana Hull Poosay Shadow Their Most Imperial Grace Countex VI of the Countship of the ISCSM Distinguished Guests, Esteemed Members of the Privy Council, and Cherished Community, It is my absolute honor to welcome you to Midnight Rain: Countship Stepdown and Ball. Tonight, we come together not only to celebrate the incredible work of Their Most Imperial Graces and the Privy Council of Reign VI but also to recognize the resilience, passion, and commitment that have strengthened and uplifted Montana's queer community. It has been a privilege to serve this reign, and I am deeply grateful to share this evening with each of you.

This year has been one of extraordinary growth, impact, and unity. Through the tireless dedication of our council and community, the Countship successfully raised over \$70,000, allowing us to expand our reach and deepen our support for LGBTQ+ individuals across Montana. These funds directly supported initiatives such as Bozeman Pride, monthly drag performances, and outreach efforts to smaller communities in Southern Montana. We traveled across the state and beyond, building connections and strengthening partnerships from Salt Lake City (RCGSE) to Red Lodge (Magpie and DSVS), from Butte (Butte Pride) to Billings (406 Pride). We facilitated nearly 20 Story Hours, produced and performed in over 25 drag shows, and engaged more than 100 dedicated volunteers, all working together to foster inclusivity, joy, and representation.

When I first set my sights on this crown, I believed I understood the responsibilities it carried. However, standing here today at the conclusion of this reign, I now fully grasp its weight and significance. It is more than a title—it is a commitment, a responsibility, and a testament to the strength of our community. I am humbled to have joined the ranks of those who have carried it before me, and I stand in awe of their legacy.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the remarkable individuals who stood beside me throughout this journey. To my Privy Council, your dedication and hard work have been the backbone of this reign. You have devoted your time, energy, and passion to ensuring that our events, programs, and outreach efforts not only succeeded but thrived. I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you for your unwavering commitment.

To Maria, my Countex, my sister-wife, you have been my anchor through every challenge and triumph. Your determination and support have been instrumental in shaping this year into one of success and impact. Four years of friendship have led us to this moment, and I could not have asked for a better partner in this journey. To Kree, my advisor and Chair, your leadership and wisdom have been invaluable. You have kept us grounded, guided us with patience, and reminded us that grace and resilience will always carry us forward. I am deeply grateful for your presence and unwavering belief in our mission.

To Chloe and Eric, your love and guidance have been a source of strength, and I have been privileged to learn from you. Your support, both in moments of joy and in moments of challenge, has been a constant reminder of what true community and chosen family look like.

To Char, Cass, Micayla, and Brendon, thank you for the roles you have played in keeping me steady, reminding me to care for myself, and encouraging me to dream bigger. Your words, support, and presence have helped shape this experience in more ways than I can express.

A special acknowledgment is due to my mothers, Sofia Gloria Hull and Josi Brunkhart. You have been my guiding lights, my unwavering support, and the reason I am able to stand before you today. Your love, mentorship, and encouragement have shaped the person I am, and I am endlessly grateful for the foundation you have provided.

To my Auntie Anita, your fire, wisdom, and perspective have been an incredible gift. You have challenged me to grow, to embrace nuance, and to never lose sight of the bigger picture. Your presence in my life is invaluable, and I am so grateful for your guidance.

Finally, to our extraordinary community, I extend my deepest gratitude. You are the heartbeat of this work—the reason we do what we do. Thank you for showing up, for embracing us in your towns, for supporting our mission, and for pushing me to be better. Your passion and resilience inspire me every day. This work is for you, with you, and because of you.

As I step down from this role, I do so with immense gratitude, pride, and hope for the future. This year has been a journey of growth, challenges, and deep connection, and I would not trade a single moment of it. Thank you for allowing me the honor of serving as your Countess. I carry this experience, and all of you, in my heart always.

With appreciation, admiration, and profound respect,

Alotta Poosay Hull

Her Most Imperial Grace, Countess VI of the Countship of the ISCSM

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