

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, infertility affects 1 in 8 families in the United States and impacts millions of couples and singles worldwide; and

WHEREAS, infertility does not discriminate based on sex, race, religion, age, or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, individuals fighting infertility also fight to overcome severe emotional strain, employment-connected difficulties, intolerance, and misunderstanding resulting from social unawareness; and

whereas, awareness programs help people facing infertility to get medical and psychological support, draw society's attention to the problem and the importance of cultivating a proper social perception of infertility, and encourage legal regulation of infertility connected cases; and

WHEREAS, most people struggling with infertility receive no coverage from their health insurance and the financial impact prohibits many from seeking treatment and other options for building a family; and

whereas, the Colorado Legislature has prioritized this issue and recently passed the Colorado Building Families Act, which will require health plans to cover infertility diagnosis, treatment, and fertility preservation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn wishes to raise awareness of this medical condition and the importance of supporting those affected and protecting treatment and family building options.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim the week of April 19th through 25th, 2020 as:

NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

in the City of Northglenn, and urge all to work toward reducing the stigma of the infertility disease and increasing access to medical services and family building options for those facing infertility.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 13th day of April 2020.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor