



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** play is a valuable part of a child's healthy development and is a crucial factor in the overall well-being of children; and
- WHEREAS,** a productive, healthy and physically fit child becomes a socially competent and productive adult; and
- WHEREAS,** children who play do better in school and develop cognitive skills that are linked to learning and academic performance; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northglenn acknowledges that children are our most important resource, and that we must promote and ensure an abundance of safe and accessible playspaces for all children; and
- WHEREAS,** unstructured, unplanned, spontaneous and self-motivated play is on the decline, and it is important to reverse that trend in our community; and
- WHEREAS,** we encourage children to spend time outside at parks and playgrounds with their friends, parents and other trusted adults; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northglenn will join Playful Cities USA in celebrating Play Day and special Play Day activities will be held at the July 4th Family Festival in E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kathleen M. Novak, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim Friday, July 4th, 2008, as a

PLAY DAY

in the City of Northglenn and encourage all citizens to participate and advocate on this Play Day in an effort to continue to support and maintain playspaces and playgrounds for the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 27th day of March 2008.

KATHLEEN M. NOVAK
Mayor

