

## **PROCLAMATION**

- **WHEREAS,** October has been designated as Italian Heritage Month to celebrate the cultural heritage, achievements, and contributions Italian Americans have made in our community and across the country; and
- **WHEREAS,** Italians began migrating to the United States in 1880, and today there are more than 26 million Americans of Italian descent in the country; and
- WHEREAS, Colorado is home to a proud and vibrant Italian American community that has undoubtedly impacted culture and industry by influencing arts and entertainment, literature, business and government, medicine, education, social services, and science and technology; and
- **WHEREAS,** Italian Americans have had a profound influence on our country through their focus on family, faith, strong work ethic, and love of country; and
- **WHEREAS,** Italians were instrumental in establishing Colorado as a leader in railroad transportation, the mining, timber, and masonry industries, and agricultural production and distribution; and
- WHEREAS, Italians continue to enhance and promote the diversity of Colorado by fostering their cultural heritage which is supported by the active Italian American organizations throughout the state; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City of Northglenn joins in celebrating the Italian American community and recognizes their contributions to the growth and prosperity of our state.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as

## ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH

in the City of Northglenn and encourage all residents to join in celebrating the many contributions of Italian Americans.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY

Mayor