



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every day, women, men, and children across Colorado suffer the pain and trauma of sexual assault upon survivors and our Colorado communities; and

WHEREAS, this crime occurs far too frequently, goes unreported far too often, and leaves long lasting physical and emotional scars; and

WHEREAS, during National Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we recommit ourselves not only to lifting the veil of secrecy and shame surrounding sexual violence, but also to raising awareness, expanding support for victims, and strengthening our response; and

WHEREAS, sexual violence affects individuals of all ages, backgrounds, and circumstances; and

WHEREAS, as a nation, we share the responsibility for protecting each other from sexual assault, supporting victims when it does occur, and bringing perpetrators to justice; and

WHEREAS, we must work to provide necessary resources to victims of every circumstance, including medical attention, mental health services, relocation and housing assistance, and advocacy during the criminal justice process; and

WHEREAS, Colorado communities can come together to increase awareness about sexual violence, decrease its frequency, hold offenders accountable, support victims, and heal lives;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joyce Downing, Mayor of the City of Northglenn do hereby proclaim April 2017 as:

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Northglenn and ask all residents to take a stand against sexual assault by joining advocates and communities across Colorado and the country in taking actions to prevent sexual violence.

Dated, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 10th day of April 2017.

JOYCE DOWNING
Mayor

