



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** a national day of prayer was first proclaimed by the Continental Congress in 1775, and the current United States Congress, by Public Law 100-307, as amended, has called on our Nation to reaffirm the role of prayer and to respect the freedom of religion by recognizing each year a “National Day of Prayer”; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1789, George Washington proclaimed “It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and to humbly implore His protection and favor,” and prayer remains an important part of our national culture; and
- WHEREAS,** we pray for the safety of our troops as they carry out dangerous missions with courage and compassion, and we come together to seek God’s continued guidance, protection and blessing for our great land; and
- WHEREAS,** we pray for the protection of innocent lives and for the expansion of peace and liberty throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS,** through prayer, our faith is strengthened, our hearts are humbled, and our lives are transformed. May our hearts have the humility to trust in the goodness of God’s plans.

**NOW THEREFORE, I,** Joyce Downing, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as a

### CITY-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER

and encourage every citizen of this community to give thanks, each according to his or her own faith for the freedoms and blessings we have received and for continued guidance and protection.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.

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JOYCE DOWNING  
Mayor

