

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Transgender Awareness Month is a time to celebrate and elevate the voices

and experiences of the transgender, gender non-conforming, and nonbinary

community through education, advocacy, and action; and

WHEREAS, during this month, we also recognize Transgender Day of Remembrance on

November 20<sup>th</sup>, a day in which transgender people and allies across the globe

come together to honor the lives lost to anti-transgender violence; and

**WHEREAS**, these efforts are more important than ever as we still live in a world where equality

for all is not yet guaranteed. Transgender people are more likely to experience economic and health challenges and inequities, including homelessness and housing discrimination, workplace discrimination, lack of health insurance

coverage, hostile school environments, suicide, and violence; and

**WHEREAS**, creating a safe and supportive space for transgender people to be themselves

and to raise visibility of transgender issues and experiences is necessary so we can come together and recognize that transgender and gender-

nonconforming people exist and deserve to be respected and valued; and

WHEREAS, over 2 million people of all ages identify as transgender, gender non-

conforming, and nonbinary in the United States, representing a rich and diverse

community comprised of all racial and ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, these individuals are our parents, siblings, children, friends, neighbors, and co-

workers, all of whom deserve love, dignity, respect, and the opportunity to

thrive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn is committed to continuing to engage in education and

challenging transphobia in order to nurture diversity and build safe and

inclusive communities.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado do hereby

proclaim November 2023 as

## TRANSGENDER AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Northglenn and encourage every community member to continue the journey of learning about and understanding our gender-expansive community, to foster a safer and more inclusive society for all.

Dated, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor