



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of September is recognized as "Attendance Awareness Month" across the nation to highlight the critical role attendance plays in student success and to encourage schools and communities to work together to reduce absenteeism; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn recognizes that regular school attendance is a key factor in ensuring students' well-being, academic success, achievement, graduation, and, ultimately the future prosperity of our community; and

WHEREAS, chronic absenteeism, defined as missing 10% or more of the school year, for any reason, is a leading cause of academic failure and dropout, affecting students' ability to reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, reducing chronic absenteeism and promoting consistent attendance can help close the achievement gap, increase graduation rates, and ensure that all students have an opportunity to achieve their academic and personal goals; and

WHEREAS, improving attendance and engagement requires schools, families, elected leaders, and other community partners all working together to provide safe, engaging, and supportive learning environments for all students and to address any barriers that may keep children from being in school; and

WHEREAS, Northglenn is committed to raising awareness about the importance of school attendance and to supporting strategies and programs that promote regular attendance and prevent absenteeism.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as:

ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Northglenn and encourage all residents, schools, businesses, and community partners to support efforts to promote regular school attendance, ensuring that every student in Northglenn has an opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 23rd day of September 2024.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

