



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Crash Responder Safety Week, observed nationally from November 18-22, 2024, is a time to increase awareness about the critical importance of safeguarding the lives of crash responders, including law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, transportation and towing operators, and public works personnel; and
- WHEREAS,** these on-scene professionals provide a critical public service, being called to duty at all hours of the day and night, in adverse weather conditions, and in hazardous environments, risking their own safety to clear roadways, restore the safe flow of traffic, and render life-saving medical aid; and
- WHEREAS,** thousands of crash responders are injured or killed annually while working along America’s roadways, highlighting the need for all drivers to be aware of “Move Over” laws, to exercise caution, attentiveness, and respect for emergency personnel on our roads; and
- WHEREAS,** educating drivers about their responsibility to slow down, move over, and approach roadside scenes with caution can significantly reduce the risk of secondary accidents and improve the safety of crash responders and the public; and
- WHEREAS,** the State of Colorado has a “Move-Over” law requiring drivers to slow down and move over when approaching an emergency vehicle, a tow truck, or a highway maintenance vehicle when their emergency lights are activated; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northglenn is committed to supporting initiatives, providing public education, promoting responder safety, and encouraging all community members to respect and honor the service and sacrifice of those working to ensure our safe travels; and
- WHEREAS,** Crash Responder Safety Week reminds us of the importance of roadway safety and our shared responsibility to protect those who selflessly respond to emergencies on our roads.

**NOW THEREFORE, I,** Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado do hereby proclaim November 18-22, 2024 as

### CRASH RESPONDER SAFETY WEEK

in the City of Northglenn and urge all residents to respect and adhere to Colorado’s Move Over law, drive responsibly, and recognize the invaluable role of crash responders in ensuring our collective safety on the roadways.

Dated, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

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MEREDITH LEIGHTY  
Mayor

