

## JOINT PROCLAMATION

### BOARD OF LARIMER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS STATE OF COLORADO AND LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

#### A Joint Proclamation designating April 1-7, 2024, as National Public Health Week

**WHEREAS**, each year, during the first full week of April, communities observe National Public Health Week and recognize the contributions of public health, highlight issues that are important to improving our nation's health, and raise awareness about public health and prevention; and,

**WHEREAS**, the theme for National Public Health Week 2024 is "Protecting, Connecting and Thriving: We Are All Public Health"; and,

**WHEREAS**, Public Health includes making sure our neighborhoods and environment are free from pollution, making sure our food and water are safe to eat and drink, and fostering relationships in our communities to ensure the health needs of all persons are being considered; and,

**WHEREAS**, when our neighborhoods and communities are healthy, we all have the building blocks for healthy lives; and,

**WHEREAS**, having safe places to live, safe ways for everyone to be active, and easy access to fresh, affordable, nutritious and culturally-appropriate food ensures equitable opportunities to healthy living and excellent health outcomes; and,

**WHEREAS**, studies show that small, strategic investments in public health can result in significant savings in health care costs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Larimer County Board of Health, and the Board of County Commissioners of Larimer County each support the Department of Health and Environment's Mission to work to provide everyone in Larimer County the opportunity for a healthy life; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Vision of Larimer County Department of Health and Environment is that Larimer County is a thriving, health-aware community where everyone has access to healthy choices and a healthy environment; and,

**WHEREAS**, Larimer County Department of Health and Environment collaborates with partners outside of the health sector, including cities, educational entities, non-profit groups, and private sector businesses, to address the social determinants of health;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Larimer County, the Larimer County Board of Health, and the Larimer County Department of Health and Environment encourage everyone, including students, elected leaders, civic leaders, and residents, to step in and do what they can to make our county a more equitable, safe, healthy, connected and inclusive place; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Larimer County Board of Health and the Board of County Commissioners of Larimer County both support the activities of Larimer County Department of Health and Environment as it strives for a healthier future for Larimer County residents.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT JOINTLY PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO, AND THE LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH THAT:**

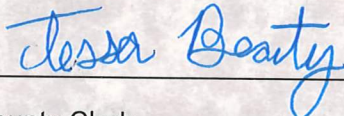
- The week of April 1-7, 2024, is recognized as “National Public Health Week 2024” in Larimer County, Colorado; and,
- Larimer County Department of Health and Environment is encouraged to support appropriate activities in Larimer County to promote National Public Health Week 2024.

Done this 2nd day of April 2024, in Fort Collins, Colorado, by the Board of County Commissioners of Larimer County, Colorado.


Done this 21 day of March 2024, in Fort Collins, Colorado, by the Larimer County Board of Health.


**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF LARIMER**

By:   
John Kefalas, Chair

ATTEST:   
Deputy County Clerk

**LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

By:   
Dr. Tony J. Van Goor, President

ATTEST:   
Tom Gonzales, Secretary

