



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Collins recognizes water is a finite resource that is vital to human life and that well-maintained green spaces are important to the health and well-being of communities and individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, appropriate irrigation technology, combined with best practices, can significantly reduce water usage and runoff while creating healthy lawns, trees, landscaping, and playing fields; and

**WHEREAS**, July is a peak month for the use of water for irrigation; and

**WHEREAS**, Fort Collins Utilities offers customer rebates for numerous outdoor water efficiency products, including smart irrigation controllers, which are weather based, skipping irrigation days when there has been sufficient precipitation, a key technology during the periods in the spring and summer; and

**WHEREAS**, City of Fort Collins Water Conservation Department encourages all residents to conserve water and responsibly use water outdoors during the summer season.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jeni Arndt, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby July 2023 as

## SMART IRRIGATION MONTH

to recognize the advances in irrigation technology and practices that help raise healthy plants while using water more efficiently and to encourage the adoption of smart irrigation practices to further improve water-use efficiency in agriculture, residential, and commercial activities.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 18th day of July, 2023.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deputy City Clerk