



16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER VIOLENCE

WHEREAS, we, as citizens of this community, recognize the worldwide problem of violence against women occurs even here in Greeley, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, gender violence is traumatic to the body, mind, and spirit and can prevent people from being fully active participants at home and in the world; and

WHEREAS, we support efforts of individuals and organizations, such as the Zonta Club of Greeley, to raise awareness, stimulate discussion, and advocate for local solutions that will curb gender violence; and

WHEREAS, the Zonta Club of Greeley is part of Zonta International, founded in 1919, that has empowered women and girls through service and advocacy for over 100 years, and

WHEREAS, Zonta International, a non-governmental organization, has general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, which promotes the human rights of all women and girls and seeks to reduce violence against them, and

WHEREAS, the Zonta Club of Greeley joins over 1000 Zonta clubs in 63 countries in the international **Zonta says No to Violence against Women** campaign to assert that the right to be free of violence is a fundamental human right for all persons.

NOW THEREFORE, I, John Gates, Mayor of the City of Greeley, Colorado, do hereby proclaim the 16 days between November 25th, International Day to Eliminate Violence Against Women, and December 10th, International Human Rights Day, as the **16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence**. All citizens are urged to work to end gender violence and to eliminate the detrimental consequences gender violence has on the well-being of our citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Greeley, this 15th day of November, 2022.

John Gates, Mayor