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## *PROCLAMATION* FOSTER CARE MONTH

- WHEREAS,** children are key to Colorado's future success, prosperity and quality of life where they have a right to thrive, learn and grow in a safe environment; and
- WHEREAS,** foster parents provide the care, safety and stability for children and youth in foster care whose parents need time to learn new skills to become the parents their kids need them to be; and
- WHEREAS,** each day in Colorado, approximately 8 children and youth enter foster care while a child's parent(s) or caregiver(s) address safety concerns in the home; and
- WHEREAS,** Colorado foster parents are caring for more than 3,500 children and youth in out- of-home placement today; and
- WHEREAS,** Colorado is experiencing a shortage of foster parents in every community and is in need of families willing to care for teens, children with complex behavioral and mental health needs, sibling groups and children whose first language is not English; and
- WHEREAS,** we must recognize the important role foster parents play in caring for children who have experienced abuse and neglect, supporting family reunification and building strong communities; and
- WHEREAS,** we all play a role in ensuring Colorado's children are healthy and safe, and are able to reach their full potential; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JOHNSTOWN, COLORADO THAT:

*I, Michael P. Duncan, Mayor of the Town of Johnstown, Colorado on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May, 2024, do hereby proclaim May Foster Care Month in Johnstown*

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael P. Duncan, Mayor

*The Community that Cares*