



## PROCLAMATION National Work Zone Awareness Week April 15-19, 2024

WHEREAS, National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) is an annual spring campaign held at the start of construction season to encourage safe driving through streets, roads and highway work zones; and

WHEREAS, National Work Zone Awareness Week is a way to raise public awareness for work zones and those who work in them and that motorists are encouraged to slow to posted speed limits, eliminate distractions while driving and be watchful for roadway workers, their equipment and vehicles on the side of the road in work zones; and

WHEREAS, the theme for the 2024 National Work Zone Awareness Week is "Work zones are temporary. Actions behind the wheel can last forever."; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Work Zone Safety Information Clearinghouse, in 2021 there were 874 fatal crashes in U.S. work zones, up from 780 in 2020; and

WHEREAS, on average, more than two persons per day were killed in work zones in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mead strives to keep all employees and the public safe during road and street repairs in work zones; and

WHEREAS, solutions to keeping everyone safe in work zones and on our roadways is our collective responsibility; and

NOW THEREFORE, **I, Colleen G. Whitlow, Mayor**, do hereby designate April 15-19, 2024, as National Work Zone Awareness Week and encourage all residents to slow down and stay alert.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Town of Mead, Colorado On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024

Colleen G. Whitlow	
Mayor	