

CITY OF STAR *Idaho*



PROCLAMATION

PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY

WHEREAS, Child Care Aware® of America and other organizations nationwide are recognizing Child Care Providers on this day ; and

WHEREAS, child care has provided a safe, nurturing place for the enrichment and development of millions of children nationwide and is a vital force in our economy; and
WHEREAS, the pandemic illuminated how indispensable child care providers are for the well-being and economic security of Star's young children, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, child care programs, which are mostly small businesses, run and staffed predominantly by women, continue to recover from the health and financial hardships stemming from the pandemic to meet the needs of more families; and

WHEREAS Star recognizes that child care has been and continues to be a lifeline for families, communities, and the economy. As such, it has provided much-needed support to providers to help sustain the viability of child care; and

WHEREAS, the future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children today; support for high-quality child care represents a worthy commitment to our children's future; and

Now, therefore, I, Trevor A. Chadwick, Mayor of the City of Star, hereby proclaim May 10, 2024, as Provider Appreciation Day in Star and urge all citizens to recognize Child Care Providers for their important work, and how valuable they are for our communities.

ADOPTED by the City of Star, on this 7th day of May, 2024

Mayor Trevor A. Chadwick