

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION DESIGNATING APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>  
THROUGH 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

WHEREAS, April 17<sup>th</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup> is designated as National Volunteer Week to celebrate ordinary people doing extraordinary things to improve communities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs benefits from thousands of citizen volunteers who support a wide variety of programs including the Colorado Springs Airport Ambassadors Program; the Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS); the many programs offered through the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department; and the Adopt-A-Waterway Program including Creek Week; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Colorado Springs Airport had 35 volunteers contribute 1,600 hours of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, in Public Safety's Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS), volunteers provided 30,143 hours of civic engagement to advance public safety; and

WHEREAS, in the Stormwater Enterprise waterways programs, 1,434 volunteers contributed more than 2,800 hours and removed over 26 tons of litter from our community's waterways to improve water quality and beautify our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, nearly 1,800 volunteers contributed more than 108,500 hours of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, this level of effort, calculated at the latest state volunteerism rate of \$28.54 per hour, equaled over \$4 million dollars in service to the community in 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:**

Section 1. That City Council designates April 17<sup>th</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup> as National Volunteer Week and urges our citizens to volunteer. In addition, City Council asks everyone to recognize, support and commend those who already volunteer and help make our community an amazing place to live, work and play.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this 12<sup>h</sup> day of April, 2022.

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Council President

ATTEST:

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Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk