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Re: Mental Health Month

WELD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIM MAY MENTAL HEALTH MONTH *May 8th is Children's Mental Health Awareness Day*

WELD COUNTY, CO – The Weld County Board of Commissioners issued a proclamation on Monday, announcing the month of May as Mental Health Month and May 8 as Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.

“We’re taking this opportunity to highlight the need for effective care and services to meet the mental health needs of children, youth and families in our community,” said Commissioner Chairman Doug Rademacher.

A lack of access to mental health services is repeatedly listed as one of the top health threats in the community, the proclamation said. Good mental health is essential to overall health and emotional well-being. Mental Health Month has been observed since 1949 to raise awareness about mental health conditions and the importance of mental health wellness for all.

“We want to thank everyone for supporting the children of our community and mental health awareness,” said Susan Stone, Administrative Director of Child/Youth/Family/Prevention at North Range Behavioral Health.

For more information about mental health services, visit the North Range Behavioral Health website at <http://www.northrange.org/>.



Weld County Commissioners stand with Sharon Stone and Noelle Hause from North Range Behavioral Health after proclaiming May as Mental Health Month and May 8 as Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.

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