

**TOWN OF BERTHOUD
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TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES INFORMATION SHEET

MEETING DATE: November 13, 2012

ITEM: Proclamation-Caregivers Month

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation

COMMENTS:

The Larimer County Office on Aging has notified the Town that November is National Family Caregivers Month. The attached proclamation proclaims November as National Family Caregivers Month in Berthoud.

Rich Shipman of the Larimer County Caregiver Coalition will be present at the meeting.

SUGGESTED MOTION: NONE

Administrator review WHS

Date 11/05/12

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

Across our country, millions of family members, neighbors, and friends provide care and support for their loved ones during times of need, and

WHEREAS,

with profound compassion and selflessness, these caregivers provide short term comfort and security, facilitate social engagement, and help individuals stay in their homes and communities as long as possible, and

WHEREAS,

at some time during this year, 1 in 4 adults in the Town of Berthoud, or about 950 individuals, are providing care to an adult with limitations in daily activities, and

WHEREAS,

while this care is given from the heart, the estimated economic value of their unpaid contribution amounts to about 209,000 dollars, and

WHEREAS,

this heroic work is often done while caregivers balance other commitments to their families, jobs and communities, and

WHEREAS,

We observe National Family Caregiver Month, we honor the tireless compassion of Americans who heal, comfort, and support our elders and people with disabilities.

THEREFORE,

I, David Gregg, Mayor of Berthoud, do hereby proclaim November 2012 as

NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVER MONTH

and urge all citizens this month and throughout the year, to let the quiet perseverance of our family caregivers remind us of the decency and kindness to which we can all aspire.

FURTHER,

Let us pay tribute to the remarkable individuals we know in our community who put their own lives on hold to tend to their family members; it is our responsibility to ensure they do not have to do it alone.

Signed this 13th day of November 2012