#Proclamation "Stormwater Management and Flood Awareness Month" April 2024

Whereas, Adams County has been a member of the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System since 2015; and,

Whereas, comprehensive planning for floodplain management is important to enhance life safety for Adams County citizens and to reduce flood damage to property within Adams County; and,

Whereas, comprehensive planning for stormwater management is important to protect the quality of stormwater runoff from development within Adams County and to minimize stormwater pollution; and,

Whereas, Adams County implements Stormwater and Floodplain Management Programs through several departments: Community and Economic Development, Public Works, Parks, Open Space & Cultural Arts, the Sheriff's Office and the Office of Emergency Management. It's led by the Floodplain Administrator with support from the Business Solutions Group of the Information Technology and Innovation Department; and,

Whereas, the Programs are implemented in accordance to Federal laws, State laws, and Adams County Development Standards and Regulations; and,

Whereas, the Programs provide services to the public, including enhanced public safety, reduced damage to property and public infrastructure, stormwater quality and environmental protection, and opportunities for education about stormwater and flooding; and,

Whereas, the activities of the Programs have allowed for a ten percent (10%) discount on flood insurance for property owners within Adams County since 2020; and,

Whereas, well-informed people make better decisions and they take steps to protect themselves from flooding by retrofitting their homes, buying flood insurance, and planning the actions they will take during the next flood; and,

Whereas, Adams County is a StormReady® Certified community recognized by the National Weather Service program to have reached a high level of severe weather preparedness since 2018.

How, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners, of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims the month of April 2024 as

"Stormwater Management and Flood Awareness Month"

In witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed April 16, 2024.