Proclamation Youth Leadership Month – May 2017

Whereas, Adams County is home to 134,236 children and has the fourth largest population of children in Colorado; and

Whereas, Adams County currently has approximately 97,743 school-age children whose voices provide important prospective to those of us who lead; and

Whereas, our youth's success is our future success; and youth leadership and mentor programs are proven to impact scholastic success; and

Whereas, Adams County Government, Adams County Youth Initiative and Adams County community partners and organizations acknowledge the value of the youth perspective on community initiatives and are looking to support all youth who will lead in the future; and

Whereas, Adams County recognizes that leadership experiences provide youth with opportunities to actively serve as steward citizens within their community and develop valuable job skills like teamwork, collaboration, project management, program creation and leadership; and

Whereas, youth leaders can truly help shape the future of their community and school; and

Whereas, youth are stewards of the future and can lead by providing new ideas on community initiatives like sustainability, collaboration and collective action; and

Whereas, youth leaders have been recognized as valuable partners in helping shape community identity; and

Whereas, Adams County acknowledges the various leadership initiatives throughout the County and would like to support collective action and sustainable communities by encouraging all school districts, cities, centers of higher learning, community organizations, interfaith networks, and above all, youth, to continue their work in leading and shaping their communities and schools;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That, that the Adams County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of May 2017 as Youth Leadership Month.