

**ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK**

**PROCLAMATION No. 2025-003**

**WHEREAS**, poor outdoor air quality can threaten the health of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that nearly 40% of Americans, 131.2 million people, live in places with unhealthy levels of ozone and particle pollution<sup>1</sup>, and

**WHEREAS**, children, people with lung disease, older adults, and people with heart disease tend to be more vulnerable to outdoor pollution including ozone and particle pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, it would be beneficial for people to learn more about the effects air quality may have on their health if they fall into one of these sensitive groups; and

**WHEREAS**, ozone and particle pollution are associated with conditions like chronic bronchitis, asthma, and heart disease and has been linked to increased respiratory and cardiovascular hospital admissions, emergency department visits and death; and

**WHEREAS**, rates for emergency department visits for asthma in Adams County are higher than the state at 42.5 per 10,000 vs 29.3 per 10,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Adams County Health Department monitors for particulate matter through Love My Air, a program designed to empower communities to live better and longer by reducing air pollution, increasing the public's awareness, and limiting exposure through behavior changes, advocacy, and community engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, knowledge of the Air Quality Index as a tool for reporting air quality and communicating how clean or unhealthy the air is, real-time, can help protect our community's health; and

**WHEREAS**, Adams County Health Department and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, are supporting efforts to encourage Adams County residents to utilize the Air Quality Index to understand what causes poor air quality, and to make strides to improve the overall outdoor air quality.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Adams County Board of Health recognizes May 5-9, 2025, as Air Quality Awareness Week and the importance of practices and policies to improve air quality here in Adams County, Colorado.

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<sup>1</sup> [State-of-the-Air-2024.pdf](#)

Upon motion duly made and seconded the foregoing proclamation was adopted by the following vote:

Gilliam	_____	Yea
Keiling	_____	Yea
Lindemann	_____	Yea
Mahnke	_____	Yea
Winkler	_____	Yea

**ADOPTED, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.**

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[Dee Dee Gilliam \(Apr 18, 2025 13:15 MDT\)](#)

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Dr. Dierdre Gilliam, President  
Adams County Board of Health






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