

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, every 24 seconds, a fire department in the United States responds to a fire somewhere in the nation; and*

*WHEREAS, 74% percent of all fire deaths occurred in the home in 2018; and*

*WHEREAS, home fires were responsible for 11,200 civilian injuries and 74% of all civilian injuries in 2018; and*

*WHEREAS, an estimated \$25.6 billion in property damage occurred as a result of fire in 2018; and*

*WHEREAS, the fire service responds to a growing number of medical calls for service, surpassing 80% of total call volume in some jurisdictions; and*

*WHEREAS, Community Risk Reduction is a data-informed process to identify and prioritize local risks, followed by integrated and strategic investment of resources to reduce their occurrence and impact; and*

*WHEREAS, the value of community support from local, state, and national partners to address community risks are recognized to meet the demands on paid, combination, and volunteer members of the fire service; and*

*WHEREAS, the goal of Community Risk Reduction is to reduce the occurrence and impact of emergency events for both community members and emergency responders through deliberate action in the areas of the five E's of Education, Engineering, Enforcement, Emergency response, and Economic incentive; and*

*WHEREAS, most fire-related and many medical calls for service are preventable, with the five E's performed as part of an integrated Community Risk Reduction program; and*

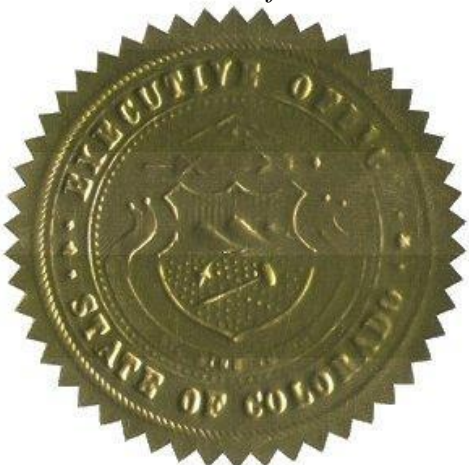
*WHEREAS, Monday, January 18, 2021 is Martin Luther King Day and is nationally recognized as a National Day of Service and an opportunity for communities to reduce the risk in their community through a series of educational and other programs;*

*THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby proclaim the period of time between January 18 and January 24, 2021 as*

### **COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION WEEK**

*in the State of Colorado.*

*GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this eighteenth day of January, 2021*



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

Jared Polis  
Governor