

**TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF GYPSUM, COLORADO**

PROCLAMATION NO. 01 (SERIES 2026)

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWN OF GYPSUM DESIGNATING MAY 2026
AS WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, twenty of Colorado's largest wildfires have occurred within the last twenty years. Four out of the five largest fires in state history have occurred within the last six years, including the most destructive fire in state history just four and a half years ago; and

WHEREAS, warmer temperatures, drought, and continued development in the wildland-urban interface have made wildfire mitigation a top priority for Eagle County and surrounding jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, wildfires are a natural part of an ecosystem process that cannot be excluded from our landscapes. Therefore, coordinated education regarding the ignition and propagation of fire, coupled with collaborative efforts to enhance the survivability of residences and property while encouraging residents and visitors to adopt wildfire prepared practices, are essential within an environment where wildfire coexists with human presence; and

WHEREAS, Eagle County, the Towns of Gypsum, Minturn, Eagle, Redcliff, Avon, and Vail, and the Fire Districts of Gypsum, Eagle River, and Greater Eagle, and the Rock Creek Volunteer Fire Department, and the Vail Fire Department have determined that they share the common goals of wildfire risk reduction, wildfire preparedness, and public education; and that collaboration in these areas will lead to unified and fire-adapted communities throughout Eagle County and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, Wildfire Preparedness Month is focused on encouraging residents to learn about wildfire safety and take steps to reduce wildfire risk in and around their homes; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to join in support of Wildfire Preparedness Month and to designate May 2026 as Wildfire Preparedness Month within its jurisdiction as stated below in Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY the Town Council of the Town of Gypsum, Colorado that May 2026 is Wildfire Preparedness Month.

Exhibit A

**Commissioner _____ moved adoption
of the following Resolution:**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF EAGLE, STATE OF COLORADO**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - ____

**A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE
COUNTY OF EAGLE, STATE OF COLORADO AND THE TOWNS OF GYPSUM,
MINTURN, EAGLE, REDCLIFF, AVON AND VAIL, THE FIRE DISTRICTS OF
GYPSUM, EAGLE RIVER, AND GREATER EAGLE, AND THE ROCK CREEK AND
VAIL FIRE DEPARTMENTS, PROCLAIMING MAY 2026 AS WILDFIRE
PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

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WHEREAS, Eagle County, the Towns of Gypsum, Minturn, Eagle, Redcliff, Avon, and Vail, and the Fire Districts of Gypsum, Eagle River, and Greater Eagle, and the Rock Creek Volunteer Fire Department, and the Vail Fire Department (the foregoing are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties") have determined that they share the common goals of wildfire risk reduction, wildfire preparedness, and public education; and that collaboration in these areas will lead to unified and fire-adapted communities throughout Eagle County and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, Wildfire Preparedness Month is focused on encouraging residents to learn about wildfire safety and take steps to reduce wildfire risk in and around their homes; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to join in support of Wildfire Preparedness Month and to designate May 2026 as Wildfire Preparedness Month within their respective jurisdictions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT JOINTLY RESOLVED BY THE PARTIES by and
through their governing bodies:**

THAT, May 2026 is hereby designated as Wildfire Preparedness Month within the respective jurisdictions of the Parties.

THAT, the Parties hereby find, determine, and declare that this Resolution is necessary for the safety, welfare, and resilience of their residents.

MOVED, READ AND ADOPTED by the undersigned on the dates set forth hereunder.

COUNTY OF EAGLE, STATE OF
COLORADO, By and Through Its
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board of
County Commissioners

By:

Tom Boyd
Chair

Matt Scherr
Commissioner

Jeanne McQueeney
Commissioner

Commissioner _____ seconded adoption of the foregoing Resolution. The roll having been called, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Boyd
Commissioner Scherr
Commissioner McQueeney

This Resolution passed by _____ vote of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Eagle, State of Colorado.