



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, equality and universal access to education for every girl and boy are among the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals supported by 189 countries, including the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations established October 11 as the annual "International Day of the Girl", supported and co-sponsored by the United States and 97 other countries; and

**WHEREAS**, The "Day of the Girl" campaign calls on communities across the globe to recognize that girls worldwide face many injustices such as discrimination, gender stereotypes, and lack of education, and empowers girls to fight for their rights; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Collins joins The Blossom Project to support increasing girls' participation in sports, science and math-related activities, support improving the high school graduation rate for girls, and provide equal opportunities for all girls by speaking out against gender-based injustices, celebrating all girls' potential, and encouraging all girls to pursue their dreams.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Karen Weitkunat, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim October 11, 2012 as

### DAY OF THE GIRL

in the city of Fort Collins.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 2nd day of October, A.D. 2012.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk