



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, American Heart Association data show more than 350,000 EMS-assessed out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur in the United States; and

WHEREAS, about 90 percent of people who suffer out-of-hospital cardiac arrests die. However, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, or CPR, especially if performed immediately, can double or triple a cardiac arrest victim's chance of survival; and

WHEREAS, hands-only CPR has been shown to be as effective as conventional CPR for cardiac arrest at home, at work or in public; and

WHEREAS, hands-only CPR has just two easy steps. Step 1 – Call 911 if you see a teen or adult collapse. Step 2 – Push hard and fast in the center of their chest to the beat of a familiar song that has 100 to 120 beats per minute, such as “Stayin’ Alive” by the Bee Gees or “Crazy in Love” by Beyonce featuring J-Z; and

WHEREAS, there are people in the City of Fort Collins, such as Mr. Ray Gillan, who have saved the lives of others. In this case, Mr. Gillan performed CPR on Mr. Kent Cochran, who got a second chance at life as a result; and

WHEREAS, our citizens have access to critical life-saving technology in the free PulsePoint smartphone app and may receive hands-only CPR, AED and PulsePoint education through PFA

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wade Troxell, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim the week of June 1-7, 2019, as

CPR AND AED AWARENESS WEEK

in Fort Collins to recognize the life-saving impact that CPR and AEDs have throughout our community and globe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 21st day of May, A.D. 2019.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk