



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, patience is a critical personal quality needed for lasting success; and

**WHEREAS**, we desire to build upon our heritage and make Fort Collins a place where families are strong, homes and streets are safe, education is effective, business is productive, neighbors care about one another, and citizens are free to make wise choices for their lives and families; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that the health of this community depends upon all of our citizens being creative in their daily associations with their fellow citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the tranquility and orderly operation and development of our City demand that we implement the key concepts of patience: refraining from angry behavior by keeping our cool; following proper processes rather than cutting corners; using time productively by keeping good habits; accepting reality and allowing change to happen at its own pace rather than overdoing and stressing over it; regularly evaluating and improving our plans and methods for reaching results; keeping our peace with a calm demeanor; and,

**WHEREAS**, by following these suggestions, we as citizens can individually and collectively improve the quality of our products and the efficiency of our services, focus our efforts on achieving our goals, provide our community with an improving competitive edge, and find new avenues for enriching our lives as we move boldly yet patiently into our developing future,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Doug Hutchinson, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim the character of

### **PATIENCE**

**“dealing with difficult situations calmly without becoming distressed over speed and deadlines”**

as the community of character focus for the month of November 2009, 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 3rd day of November, A.D. 2009.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk