



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Fort Collins community supports children of all abilities; and

WHEREAS, child care is a critical service in the continuum of care that allows children with disabilities to remain in their homes under their parents' care; and

WHEREAS, Respite Care provides care and support to children with developmental disabilities up to age 21 and provides respite to their families, enabling them to enhance their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Respite Care believes that a child with a disability is a child first and his or her challenges are secondary; and

WHEREAS, Respite Care strives to create an interactive, stimulating and safe environment that addresses the physical, emotional, social and mental needs of each individual child.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen Weitkunat, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2012 as

RESPITE CARE, INC. DAY

and urge our community to come together to participate in giving faith, hope, love, and commitment to all our children. I encourage everyone to educate themselves about the services Respite Care provides by touring the Respite Care home.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 17th day of April, A.D. 2012.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Interim City Clerk