



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, more than 8,500 Poudre School District students who qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch program will likely struggle to purchase school supplies this year; and

WHEREAS, the number of students who qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch program has increased to more than 32% of 26,097 students; and

WHEREAS, currently only about half of the students who qualify are served by existing school supply programs and the need continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, the “Supply Our Students” initiative is a collaborative effort comprised of representatives from Volunteers of America, Colorado State University, the OtterCares Foundation, Poudre School District, local faith communities, Concerned Larimer and Realities for Children; Office Max and Townsquare Media; and

WHEREAS, the intention of “Supply Our Students Week” is to raise awareness of the need for school supplies and to encourage donations so that all students have access to the supplies necessary to succeed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen Weitkunat, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim August 4-10, 2013 as

SUPPLY OUR STUDENTS WEEK

in Fort Collins and I urge all citizens of Larimer County to become actively involved in supporting the Supply Our Students Week through the campaign and donation of school supplies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 16th day of July, A.D. 2013.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk