

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO**

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JANUARY 2019 AS NATIONAL RADON ACTION
MONTH IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO**

WHEREAS, radon is an invisible, odorless, radioactive gas that threatens the health of our citizens and their families; and

WHEREAS, radon is a leading environmental cause of cancer mortality in the U.S. and the 8th leading cause of cancer mortality overall; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Rocky Mountain Region has been ranked Zone 1, an area with the highest radon potential possible by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, Colorado residential radon data has shown 50% of Colorado homes tested as being at or above the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Radon Action Level of 4.0 pCi/L (picocuries per liter of air); and

WHEREAS, any home in Douglas County may have elevated levels of radon (even if homes in the same neighborhood do not); and

WHEREAS, supporting recommended radon practices and policies to reduce radon exposure is important to protect our community's health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, testing for radon is simple and inexpensive; and

WHEREAS, identified radon problems can be fixed; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County Public Health, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the American Lung Association are supporting efforts to encourage Americans to test their homes for radon, have elevated levels of radon reduced, and have new homes built with radon-resistant features;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, Colorado hereby proclaims January 1-31, 2019, as National Radon Action Month in Douglas County, Colorado.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th Day of January 2019, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado

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BY: Lora L. Thomas
LORA L. THOMAS, Chair

ATTEST: Emily Wrenn
EMILY WRENN, Clerk to the Board

