



2018 PREMATURETY AWARENESS DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, March of Dimes leads the fight for the health of all moms and babies. March of Dimes does this by supporting research, leading programs and providing education and advocacy, and

WHEREAS, March of Dimes has developed a collaborative model to study and prevent premature birth through groundbreaking research at six Prematurity Research Centers, and

WHEREAS, March of Dimes is committed to mobilizing the nation by amplifying the voices of women and families, and

WHEREAS, 739 babies were born in Campbell County, Wyoming, in 2016, representing 10.0% percent of all state births, and

WHEREAS, Campbell County received a grade of F on the March of Dimes 2018 Premature Birth Report Card, with 95, or 12.8%, of its babies born prematurely; and

WHEREAS, March of Dimes looks forward to partnering with the Gillette City Council in response to the continued crisis of premature birth, and

WHEREAS, the month of November is recognized as Prematurity Awareness Month and November 17 is recognized as World Prematurity Day to raise awareness and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor, of Gillette, Wyoming do hereby extend special recognition to March of Dimes and proclaim November 17, 2018, ***Prematurity Awareness Day***.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of Gillette, Wyoming this 6th day of November, in the year of 2018.

Signed:

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

Karlene Ableseth, City Clerk (Attest)