

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 -

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
COUNTY OF SUMMIT
STATE OF COLORADO**

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SUMMIT COUNTY RESIDENTS' DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO SERVICE IN PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITY AGAINST COVID-19 THROUGH THEIR VOLUNTEER EFFORTS IN THE COUNTY'S VACCINATION PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, in our state, the first case of a respiratory disease spreading for person to person cause by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2, now named "coronavirus disease 2019 (abbreviated "COVID-19")" was identified in Summit County, Colorado on March 5, 2020; and

WHEREAS, in March of 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency due to the presence of the virus and the World Health Organization declared the outbreak a global pandemic, and

WHEREAS, 134 million people worldwide have tested positive for COVID-19, including 31 million in the United States and 477,000 in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, 2.9 million people have lost their lives to COVID-19 worldwide, including 560,000 in the United States and 6,200 in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the normal course of daily life, education, gatherings, local economy, healthcare, travel, celebration, arts, and culture have been disrupted in unprecedented ways across the world, Colorado, and Summit County; and

WHEREAS, widespread vaccination is the most effective way to prevent illness or death from COVID-19 and to support a return to our vibrant community life and to economic wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Summit County, Colorado wishes to express appreciation for the 223 residents of Summit County who are volunteering in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic by assisting with over 15,470 vaccinations during Summit County vaccine drives and clinics; and

WHEREAS, this volunteer and public health effort has propelled Summit County to the 3rd highest percentage of vaccinated residents out of 64 Colorado counties with over 71% of our population receiving at least one dose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is grateful to these volunteers who have made our community's health and wellbeing a priority, regardless of inconvenience or personal cost,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners acknowledges that our community will be better positioned for economic recovery and a return to normal family and social gatherings because of the outstanding efforts of these volunteers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF SUMMIT, STATE OF COLORADO, THAT THE BOARD RECOGNIZES THE DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT OF OUR RESIDENTS WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING FOR OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH VACCINATION PROGRAM, AND THANKS THOSE VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR TIME AND EFFORT IN SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY.

ADOPTED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT
STATE OF COLORADO
BY AND THROUGH ITS
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Elisabeth Lawrence, Chair

ATTEST:

Kathleen Neel, Clerk & Recorder