

ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2026
AS NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
PROCLAMATION No. 2026-006

WHEREAS, October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease and drive action; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, about every two minutes one case of breast cancer is diagnosed in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in Colorado more than 5,210 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed in 2026, and more than 710 people will die of the disease; and

WHEREAS, the journey for many individuals is quite different. It is estimated that more than 170,000 Americans are living with metastatic breast cancer in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, metastatic breast cancer is a devastating stage of breast cancer that occurs when cancer spreads beyond the breast to other parts of the body, including the bones, lungs, liver and brain; and

WHEREAS, although metastatic breast cancer cannot be cured today, it can be treated, in which treatment focuses on extending life and maintaining quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the mortality rate is about 40 percent higher in Black women than in white women; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer and the leading cause of cancer death in Hispanic and Latina women; and

WHEREAS, the more than 4 million breast cancer survivors in the U.S., those living with the disease and the people who love them can attest to the urgent need for access to timely, affordable health care – including screening, diagnosis and treatment – and robust funding for cancer research; and

WHEREAS, policymakers are urged to address the issues impacting the breast cancer community in Adams County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Adams County Board of Health does hereby recognize all the above and proclaims the month of October 2026 to be Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Adams County, Colorado.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing proclamation was adopted by the following vote:

Gilliam	_____	Aye
Keiling	_____	Absent
Lindemann	_____	Aye
Mahnke	_____	Aye
Winkler	_____	Absent

ADOPTED, this 17th day of September 2026.

Dierdre A. Gilliam, DNP, RN

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Dr. Dierdre Gilliam, President
Adams County Board of Health

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