

COLORADO BOARD OF HEALTH

RESOLUTION

Regarding the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

WHEREAS, May 6, 2009 is the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy and the entire month is dedicated to highlighting this issue; and

WHEREAS, after 14 years of continuous decline, the national teen birth rate has increased for the second year in a row, increasing 5 percent between 2005 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, teen pregnancy affects disparate populations disproportionately, especially those of color; and

WHEREAS, science and research-based programs should now be used to prevent teen pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, 238 national organizations and media outlets have committed their efforts to a renewed focus on preventing teen pregnancy; and

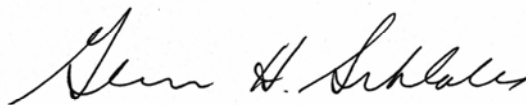
WHEREAS, the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy celebrates the efforts of national and community organizations working with partners and volunteers to improve awareness of teen pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy will focus the attention of teens on the importance of avoiding too-early pregnancy and parenthood; and

WHEREAS, the National Campaign has chosen Pueblo, Colorado to launch the efforts officially in Colorado;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Colorado Board of Health urge Coloradans to focus attention on the issue of teen pregnancy and support the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy activities on May 6, 2009.

Dated: April 15, 2009



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