



Elder Abuse Awareness Month

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Fremont County includes a community of older Americans who have worked their entire lives to create and contribute to the vibrant, thriving communities we live in and they deserve our care and respect.

Whereas, Fremont County recognizes that as members of our community we have a responsibility to ensure seniors are protected from abuse, neglect and exploitation; and

Whereas, Fremont County is committed to raising awareness about the abuse and neglect of our seniors and encourage citizens to report any concerns to the Fremont County Department of Human Services or to 1-844-264-5437.

Whereas: Fremont County's seniors should be treated with respect and dignity to ensure they can continue to serve as leaders, mentors and important active members of this community.

Whereas, our community can provide opportunities to educate the community by understanding that:

- Elder abuse can happen to anyone – parents, grandparents, neighbors and friends
- Elder abuse affects seniors across all socio-economic groups, cultures, and races.
- Elder abuse can occur anywhere: a person's home, in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, hospitals, etc.

Whereas: We can all work together to end elderly abuse and celebrate the value older people bring to our families, lived and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Fremont County Commissioners, by virtue of the authority vested in this Board, do hereby proclaim June 2021, Elder Abuse Awareness Month and in so doing, urge all citizens to join in a world wide effort to Speak up, Speak out and let our elderly know we care.

Kevin Grantham, District 1 Commissioner

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