



## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, in 1987, President Ronald Reagan made a Public Proclamation that the month of March should be recognized as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month to “increase public awareness of the needs and potential of Americans with developmental disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 1.2 million adults and 1.7 million kids have developmental disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, every person, regardless of ability, has valuable strengths, infinite capacity to learn, and the potential to make important contributions to their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the most effective way to increase this awareness is through everyone’s active participation in community activities and the openness to learn and acknowledge each individual’s contribution; and

**WHEREAS**, opportunities for citizens with developmental disabilities to function as independently and productively as possible must be fostered in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, we encourage all citizens to support opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities in our community that include full access to education, housing, employment, and recreational activities:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Mayor Pete Rust, do hereby jointly proclaim **March 2019** as

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and I encourage Green River Citizens to take great pride in our independence and freedom and join the efforts to make Green River, Wyoming a place where all people can explore and develop their abilities, enjoy productive work, and contribute in their community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of March 2019.

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Peter Rust, Mayor