



MY LIFE AWARENESS WEEK PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, MY LIFE is a free empowering group for youth ages 13 to 23 who have experience with mental health, substance abuse, foster care and other challenges, who use their experience to help others to improve the systems that serve youth.

WHEREAS, MY LIFE in Rock Springs/Green River was established in 2017 when Acceptance and Abilities partnered with Magellan Healthcare in Wyoming to bring Magellan's nationally recognized youth program to Rock Springs/Green River. Since that time MY LIFE Rock Springs has been meeting monthly with an average of over 20 youth attending each event.

WHEREAS, MY LIFE features inspirational speakers, uplifting entertainment, fun activities, free food and information on a variety of topics important to youth, actively engages youth through teaching, coaching and mentoring, helps youth use their voices to inspire and create positive change for themselves and others in the community.

WHEREAS, MY LIFE provides a much-needed voice in the community to combat negative views about behavioral health and foster care issues.

WHEREAS, MY LIFE benefits youth by helping them build self-confidence, positive social supports and leadership skills. It also has been beneficial to systems that serve youth by bringing about changes to improve care for youth and young adults

WHEREAS, MY Fest is a free music, art, entertainment and youth empowerment festival designed to inspire and empower young people while sharing information and resources that can help youth and families overcome challenges and achieve their goals and dreams.

Whereas, MY Fest Wyoming hosted by MY LIFE youth groups in Rock Springs/Green River, Evanston, Laramie and Buffalo to raise awareness about issues affecting youth.

WHEREAS, the Rock Springs is proud to be home to first Wyoming My Fest set for September 28, 2019 from noon to 4 p.m. at Bunning Park, Evans Street, in Rock Springs.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that I, Pete Rust, Mayor of the City of Green River, do hereby declare the week of September 23rd through September 29th, 2019 as:

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in the City of Green River and encourage citizens to participate in the MY FEST event in Rock Springs on September 28th, 2019.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of September 2019.

PETE RUST, MAYOR