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National Public Health Week Proclamation

Whereas the week of April 3-9, 2017, is National Public Health Week and the theme is "Healthiest Nation 2030". Together we can make America the healthiest nation in one generation.

Whereas since 1995, the American Public Health Association, through its sponsorship of National Public Health Week, has educated the public, policymakers and public health professionals about issues important to improving the public's health;

Whereas the Eau Claire City-County Health Department has its mission of "Promoting health and safety for all Eau Claire communities".

Whereas Eau Claire County residents have prioritized Mental Health, Alcohol Misuse and Chronic Disease as health areas to focus collaborative prevention efforts around;

Whereas in Eau Claire County, 29% of adult residents are obese and 1 in 14 adults are diagnosed with diabetes.

Whereas prevention is key to saving lives and lowering health care costs. Just four behaviors are at the root of a large portion of the nation's chronic disease burden. Those behaviors are: physical inactivity, poor eating habits, tobacco use, and alcohol consumption.

Whereas Chronic diseases such as heart disease, diabetes and obesity are among the most common and costly health conditions impacting the nation's health. In 2012 alone, direct medical costs related to diabetes came to $176 billion.

Whereas the Eau Claire City-County Health Department provides a multitude of public health services to the community. Some of these services include: Immunization Clinics, Family Planning Clinic, the WIC program, Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention, Radon Screening, Public Health Emergency Response, and more.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Merey Price, on behalf of the Eau Claire City-County Board of Health, do hereby proclaim the week of April 3-9, 2017, as **National Public Health Week 2017** and call upon the people of Eau Claire County to observe this week by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers and leaders better understand the value of public health and supporting great opportunities to adopt preventive lifestyle habits in light of this year's theme, **"Healthiest Nation 2030"**

Merey Price

Merey Price, President
Eau Claire City-County Board of Health

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