

**RESOLUTION NO. R-025 -
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS**

**A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING AUGUST 11–15, 2025, AS DOUGLAS COUNTY
YOUTH WEEK IN CELEBRATION OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
DOUGLAS COUNTY YOUTH INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, in 2005, visionary leaders from across Douglas County came together with a shared goal to better serve the children and families of the County, giving rise to the creation of the Douglas County Youth Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Douglas County Youth Initiative (DCYI), guided by a dedicated Advisory Board of community partners, has served as a unifying platform to strengthen youth development, leadership, civic engagement, and family support across the County; and

WHEREAS, over the past twenty years, the Douglas County Youth Initiative has impacted the lives of more than 3,000 young people in our community, fostering resilience, opportunity, and empowerment for youth from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, programs such as *Youth Congress*, local youth commissions, and wraparound support services have given youth a voice in civic matters and provided direct assistance to families navigating challenges at school, at home, or in accessing critical services; and

WHEREAS, initiatives such as *La Liga* soccer, mentoring, mental health support, and educational advocacy continue to ensure that every young person in Douglas County has access to caring adults, community resources, and meaningful opportunities to grow and thrive; and

WHEREAS, the strength and success of the Douglas County Youth Initiative is rooted in enduring partnerships with the Town of Castle Rock, the Town of Parker, the City of Lone Tree, the City of Castle Pines, Douglas County Libraries, the Douglas County School District, and the Highlands Ranch Metro District, among others; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County is proud to recognize and honor the outstanding youth commissioners and leaders from across our communities, who represent the future of public service and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Douglas County Commissioners expresses its sincere gratitude to the current and former members of the Douglas County Youth Initiative Advisory Board for their steadfast dedication and service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO, that the week of August 11–15, 2025, is hereby proclaimed as “Douglas County Youth Week” in celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the Douglas County Youth Initiative, and in recognition of the transformative impact this initiative has had—and will continue to have—on the lives of Douglas County youth and families.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of August, 2025, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO**

BY:

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George Teal

Kevin Van Winkle

ATTEST:

HAYLEY HALL, Clerk to the Board