

Resolution Approval Staff Report

Date: April 28, 2026
To: Douglas County Board of County Commissioners
Through: Douglas J. DeBord, County Manager
From: Kati Carter, AICP, Director of Community Development *K C*
CC: Brittany Cassell, Curator
Lauren Pulver, Planning Manager
Steven E. Koster, AICP, Deputy Director of Community Development
Subject: Resolution Proclaiming May 2026 as Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month

Board of County Commissioners Meeting:

May 12, 2026 @ 1:30 p.m.

REQUEST

Each year, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and History Colorado proclaim May as Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month in celebration of the diverse and unique heritage of America's cities and states. This year, the Resolution also celebrates the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and the 150th anniversary of Colorado statehood and the importance of preservation in marking these milestones.

In honor of this nationwide event, the attached Resolution is provided to proclaim May as Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month.

ATTACHMENTS

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**RESOLUTION NO. R-026
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO**

**A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2026 AS ARCHAEOLOGY AND
HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, the National Trust for Historic Preservation created Preservation Week in 1971 to spotlight grassroots preservation efforts in America, which has grown into an annual celebration observed by small towns and big cities with events ranging from architectural and historic tours and award ceremonies, to fundraising events, educational programs and heritage travel opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 the National Trust extended the celebration to the entire month of May and declared it Preservation Month to provide an even longer opportunity to celebrate the diverse and unique heritage of our Country's cities and states and enable more Americans to become involved in the growing preservation movement; and

WHEREAS, 2026 provides a unique opportunity to recognize Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month during the yearlong celebration of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and the 150th anniversary of Colorado statehood and the County is planning a series of events to celebrate the preservation of significant historic and cultural sites across the County.

WHEREAS, the National Historic Preservation Act has had a profound impact on Colorado, and historic places listed on the Douglas County, State, and National Registers contribute to the revitalization and recognition of communities through heritage tourism and the preservation of historic places which honor the diverse cultural, agricultural, natural and built environments of our State; and

WHEREAS, in Colorado, Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month is a celebration of our State's heritage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, STATE OF COLORADO, hereby proclaim that May 2026 shall be commemorated as Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of May 2026, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

BY: _____
George Teal, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Hayley Hall
Deputy Clerk to the Board