

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



MEETING DATE: January 11, 2022

ITEM NUMBER: 7.B

SECOND READING:

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TYPE OF ITEM: Special Reports/Presentations

PRESENTED BY:

Joan Peck, Mayor, 303-651-8602

SUBJECT/AGENDA TITLE:

A Proclamation Designating January 2022 As “National Radon Action Month” In Longmont, Colorado

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In Boulder County, almost half of all homes have unhealthy radon levels. The average radon level in a home in Colorado is about 6.4 pCi/L; that’s equivalent to every person in the home having 200 chest x-rays every year. This compares with only 6% of homes having unhealthy radon levels across the rest of the country. Radon is a naturally occurring, invisible gas that decays into radioactive particles and increases the risk of lung cancer for those living with radon trapped inside their homes. Lung cancer kills more people than breast, prostate, and colon cancers combined. Radon exposure causes as many as 500 lung cancer deaths every year in Colorado. Boulder County Public Health recommends that people test their homes for radon as more people stay home for longer periods of time.

Susan M. Martino, Boulder County Public Health Environmental Health Specialist and/or Patty Dooley-Strappelli, Boulder County Public Health Environmental Health Specialist will be in attendance to accept this proclamation.

COUNCIL OPTIONS:

1. N/A

RECOMMENDED OPTIONS:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT & FUND SOURCE FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND AND ISSUE ANALYSIS:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

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