



WHEREAS, Colorado recognizes that childhood sexual abuse is a massive public health problem; and

WHEREAS, child survivors grow up to be adult survivors who still need, deserve, and have rights to receive specialized services designed to help them heal; and

WHEREAS, childhood sexual abuse is a crime and survivors are entitled to basic civil, human, and victims' rights; and

WHEREAS, many victims never report their abuse in childhood and therefore become adults who may carry unaddressed complex developmental trauma; and

WHEREAS, accessing these services is critical to the health, well-being, relationship capacity, productivity, and ability to fully thrive in all aspects of adult survivors' lives; and

WHEREAS, accountability for appropriately supporting survivors must be a shared goal by families, organizations, workplaces, and communities everywhere, and that our state is healthier and stronger when we work collaboratively toward meeting this goal; and

WHEREAS, Colorado supports the many dedicated people and organizations working together to connect all adult survivors and their loved ones with the resources they need to speak about, heal from, and thrive beyond childhood sexual abuse trauma; and

WHEREAS, Colorado stands with survivors and their loved ones on their courageous paths of healing, toward empowerment of their fullest, healthiest lives;

THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim September, 2025, as

CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE SURVIVOR AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this first day of September, 2025



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

Jared Polis
Governor