



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

No fiscal impact.

Title

Proclaiming April 18-24, 2021 as National Infertility Awareness Week in the City of Madison.

Body

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, 1 in 8 couples have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and,

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and,

WHEREAS, infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or socioeconomic level; and,

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community also faces challenges when building their families; and,

WHEREAS, all people challenged in their family building journey should have access to all family building options; and,

WHEREAS, family building options include adoption and medical treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and,

WHEREAS, cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in our city to access the family building option they need; and,

WHEREAS, raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community is the first step to removing these barriers; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Madison joins the National Infertility Association, Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health, dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by proclaiming April 18-24, 2021 as National Infertility Awareness Week in the City of Madison.