RESOLUTION 17-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ERIE, COLORADO, SUPPORTING THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION OF THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN (CEDAW); AND SETTING FOR DETAILS IN RELATION THERETO.

WHEREAS, The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 18, 1979, became an international treaty as of September 3, 1981, and 187 UN member nations out of 193 have agreed to be bound by CEDAW's provisions; and

WHEREAS, Women have made gains in the struggle for equality in many fields, the Town of Erie recognizes the need to accomplish more, to fully eradicate gender-based discrimination and to provide one of the most basic human rights, equality; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Erie, Colorado, is well known for its' small historic community with a vision of a diverse and sustainable, vibrant economy; it is also a city that values strong voices in environmental stewardship and social issues through cooperative relationships and inclusivity and knowing that 51.4% of the total population of are women, it will strive to ensure these women and girls residing in Erie enjoy all rights, privileges and remedies that are bestowed on all people in the USA regardless of race, national origin, gender, or religious beliefs; and with the purpose to claim worldwide that Erie, Colorado is a Town in which women can thrive; in a town that will not tolerate discrimination against women and girls nor violence perpetrated against them in any form; and

WHEREAS, CEDAW provides a comprehensive framework for governments to examine their policies and practices regarding women and girls and to rectify discrimination based on gender; and

WHEREAS, This town government has the appropriate and legitimate role of affirming the importance of eliminating all forms of discrimination against women in communities, as universal norms and to serve as guides for public policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF ERIE, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section I.</u> The Town of Erie is committed to eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls, to promoting the health and safety of women and girls, and to affording them equal academic, economic, and business opportunities in Erie, Colorado

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 12th DAY OF JANUARY, 2016, BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF ERIE, COLORADO.

TOWN OF ERIE,

a Colorado municipal corporation

Ву: _____

Tina Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

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By: _____

Nancy J. Parker, CMC, Town Clerk