Mayor's Office: Council Agenda Item Request Form

This form and supporting documents (if applicable) are due the Wednesday before the COW meeting by noon.

Date Received	
(office use)	

Date of Request	March 12, 2018
Requesting Staff Member	Carol Hendrycks and Jillian Hill
Requested Council Date	March 20, 2018
Topic/Discussion Title	National Safe Place Week (March 18-24)
Description	Proclamation to be Read by Mayor Youth Services Recognizes and Holds Lunch Event to
	thank 90+ countywide sites that provided an extended arm of safety for youth in crisis on behalf of Youth Services.
	Photo Opportunity with Mayor and YS Prevention Team
Requested Action ¹	Recognize National Safe Place Week
Presenter(s)	Mayor McAdams and Jillian Hill – Prevention Supervisor/Safe Place Program at Youth Services
Time Needed ²	5 minutes
Time Sensitive ³	Yes – should be recognized during the Natl Safe Place Week
Specific Time(s) ⁴	Requesting to be the first line item – top of the schedule
Please attach the supporting documentation you plan to provide for the packets to this form. While not ideal, if supporting documents are not yet ready, you can still submit them by 10 am the Friday morning prior to the COW agenda. Items without documentation may be taken off for consideration at that COW meeting.	Proclamation draft attached. Should be presented and read at the council meeting date noted.

Mayor or Designee approval:

¹ What you will ask the Council to do (e.g., discussion only, appropriate money, adopt policy/ordinance) – in specific terms.

² Assumed to be 10 minutes unless otherwise specified.

³ Urgency that the topic to scheduled on the requested date.

⁴ If important to schedule at a specific time, list a few preferred times.



PROCLAMATION

Recognizing "National Safe Place Week" as March 18-24, 2018

WHEREAS, the youth of Salt Lake County will determine the future strength of our country and be the bearers of our democracy; and

WHEREAS, youth need a safe haven from various negative influences, such as child abuse, substance abuse, depression, and crime, and youth need readily available resources to assist them when faced with circumstances that compromise their safety; and

WHEREAS, the Safe Place program is committed to protecting the youth of Salt Lake County by offering temporary shelter at neighborhood locations where trained volunteers are available to counsel and advise young people seeking assistance and guidance; and

WHEREAS, designated locations where youth can get information and immediate care, Safe Place is found at businesses and community buildings such as fire stations, libraries and community centers as trained facilities by Salt Lake County Youth Services; and

WHEREAS, the success of Safe Place is based on public/private collaborations between businesses, school systems, fire departments, law enforcement, and a network of volunteers; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County needs increased numbers of community volunteers serving as mentors and positive influences on young people in building safe and healthy communities in the future we choose; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,400 communities in 39 states administer the Safe Place program at more than 19,000 locations; and Salt Lake County Youth Services serves as the gatekeeper to 91 sites across the county; and;

WHEREAS, since program inception in 1983, more than 12 million youth have been reached through National Safe Place's Building a Safety Net for Youth campaign, familiarizing them with the Safe Place sign and providing them with information about how to seek help in order to stay safe; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness will encourage more communities to establish Safe Place locations where youth can readily access the help they need.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that I, Ben McAdams, Mayor of Salt Lake County, do hereby proclaim the week of March 18 through March 24, 2018, as Safe Place Week in Salt Lake County, and call upon the people of Salt Lake County to promote and volunteer in the Safe Place program.

ADOPTED on this 20th day of March, 2018.