

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-24

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF DOUGLAS TO BE A "WATER WISE CITY"

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas recognizes water is a finite resource that is vital to human life; and

**WHEREAS**, well-maintained green spaces are important to the health and well-being of communities and individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, the ability of Douglas to provide its citizens with an adequate supply of drinking water could be hampered if lawn irrigation is excessive; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas finds it essential and the highest priority to ensure a proper supply of drinking water to its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the current average annual per capita consumption of water in Douglas is 241 gallons per capita, which greatly exceeds the statewide average of 215 gallons per capita; and

**WHEREAS**, reports show the excessive use is primarily due to outdoor irrigation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas intends to apply water wise practices to priority spaces such as parks and public greenspaces; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas asks other public and private entities and organizations to participate in reduction of over-irrigation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas asks all residents to participate in reduction of over-irrigation; and

**WHEREAS**, best practices can significantly reduce water usage and runoff while creating healthy lawns, landscaping, and sports turf; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas encourages all citizens to monitor their systems for leaks, overspray, and runoff; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Douglas further encourages all entities and citizens to conserve water by only irrigating between the hours of 10:00pm and 6:00am.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOUGLAS**, the the City of Douglas, WY be hereby declared to be a "WATER WISE CITY" (#DouglasWaterWise).

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Kim Pexton, Mayor

**Attest:**

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Mary Nicol, City Clerk