



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Idahoans are the victims of nearly 3,500 crimes each year, affecting individuals, and communities; and
- WHEREAS,** providing victims with knowledge of their rights and available services further strengthens their ability to recover by restoring a sense of self-empowerment; and
- WHEREAS,** victims who feel heard, understood and supported are more likely to disclose their victimization, seek services, and participate in the justice process; and
- WHEREAS,** a multidisciplinary response, involving collaboration among victim service professionals, criminal justice officials, legal professionals, medical and mental health providers, and community leaders is essential for reaching and serving all victims—especially those who feel marginalized, have disabilities, or live in remote locations; and
- WHEREAS,** Idaho Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 2–8, 2017, provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime are afforded their rights;
- WHEREAS,** the city of Idaho Falls is dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders, and working for justice for all victims and survivors.

THEREFORE, I, REBECCA CASPER, MAYOR of the City of Idaho Falls, do hereby proclaim April 2–8, 2017 to be

Crime Victims' Rights Week in Idaho Falls

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Idaho Falls to be affixed on this 28th day of March, two thousand and seventeen.

Rebecca L. Noah Casper, Mayor
City of Idaho Falls