

WHEREAS, the week of April 7 – 13, 2014 is National Public Health Week, and this year's theme promotes "Your Health and Safety" through efforts related to maternal and child health, emergency preparedness, chronic disease prevention, and using evidence-based practices to becoming healthy in one generation; and

WHEREAS, one's health is affected by many things, including culture, environment, social influences, individual behaviors and access to healthcare; and

WHEREAS, individuals can help control their health by choosing a healthy diet, avoiding tobacco, maintaining an active lifestyle, receiving annual immunizations and preventive check-ups, and preparing their families and homes for emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, every day, public health professionals work tirelessly to reinforce these messages and do their part to influence change; and

WHEREAS, one of the Sedgwick County Health Department's public health champions Dr. Doren Fredrickson, passed away in 2008 after dedicating his life to improving the health of the Sedgwick County community; and

WHEREAS, his legacy and that of many other public health champions, such as Judy Johnston are commemorated through the Doren Fredrickson Lifetime Commitment to Public Health Award.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, David Unruh, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 7 – 13, 2014 as

NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

In Sedgwick County, and invite Claudia Blackburn from the Sedgwick County Health Department to come forward for the presentation of this year's award.

April 9, 2014