

WHEREAS, public health organizations around the country are celebrating National Public Health Thank You Day. This eleventh annual celebration honors local public health heroes for leading daily efforts to make Sedgwick County healthier; and

WHEREAS, Paul Gunzelman has been instrumental in making the Wichita community more walking and bicycle-friendly. Paul is the Assistant City Engineer for the City of Wichita and has been a true advocate for building an environment to support healthy lifestyles and has also fostered relationships with community organizations focused on health, such as the Health & Wellness Coalition of Wichita; and

WHEREAS, Wesley Medical Center is the first Medical Center in Wichita to receive the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI) designation that was launched in 1991 by the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund to encourage and recognize hospitals and birthing centers that offer an optimal level of care for infant feeding and mother/baby bonding; and

WHEREAS, Kim Neufeld has spent the last 10 years of her career working on prevention programs in Sedgwick County, including serving as the current Board President of Bike Walk Wichita, Inc., which is a non-profit organization dedicated to the safe active transportation within Wichita and South Central Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Richard Ranzau, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 23, 2015 as

NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH THANK YOU DAY

In Sedgwick County and gratefully acknowledge the dedication of these awardees for leading the way to protect and improve the health of Sedgwick County's residents.

November 18, 2015