RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE KEMPE CENTER

WHEREAS 60 years ago, *The Battered Child Syndrome* was published July 8, 1962, in the Journal of the American Medical Association and heralded a new science for studying, treating, and preventing severe, inflicted trauma to children; and was subsequently chosen as one of 51 Landmark articles from the first 100 years of the Journal of the American Medical Association;

WHEREAS C. Henry Kempe, Professor of Pediatrics and Virology, Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics of the University of Colorado School of Medicine, was not only the lead author of *The Battered Child Syndrome*, but a physician who created the research, clinical, and teaching foundation for today’s internationally recognized Department of Pediatrics and created the multidisciplinary center that would eventually bear his name;

WHEREAS The Kempe Center was established in 1972 to provide research, training, education, and innovative program development for all forms of child abuse, neglect, and trauma. The Center is committed to improving the prevention, recognition, and treatment of child maltreatment. Research has shown that abused children become abusive parents. The Center’s mission is to break this cycle.

WHEREAS The Kempe Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Child Abuse and Neglect is now celebrating its 50th anniversary while offering treatment and support for abused and neglected children; helping them heal, grow, and learn; supporting families; and giving hope for a brighter future;

WHEREAS The Kempe Center provides opportunities for medical and nursing students, pediatric residents, fellows, and other University of Colorado students to conduct research and acquire the skills necessary to diagnose, treat, and prevent child abuse and neglect;

WHEREAS 2022 marks 50 years of The Kempe Center advancing the safety and well-being of children and families through the ongoing provision of comprehensive expert medical care, ground-breaking research, attention to inequities, timely advocacy, effective clinical work, the education of healthcare providers and social workers, community engagement, and child welfare policy initiatives;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado hereby honors the history and continuing success of The Kempe Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Child Abuse and Neglect on its 50th anniversary and looks forward to the contributions The Kempe Center and its faculty will make in the next half century.

Hereby adopted by the University of Colorado
Board of Regents on September 9, 2022

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Chair, Board of Regents