



Proclamation

WHEREAS, January is National Radon Action Month and all Colorado citizens are strongly encouraged to test their homes for radon; and

WHEREAS, radon is a naturally occurring, colorless and odorless radioactive gas that is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, contributing to as many as 500 lung cancer deaths in Colorado each year; and

WHEREAS, any home may have high levels of radon, even if neighboring homes do not, and elevated levels pose a serious health threat to residents; and

WHEREAS, approximately 50 percent of Colorado homes may have radon levels in excess of the EPA recommended action level of 4 pCi/L and ALL of Colorado's 64 counties are rated at high risk for elevated radon; and

WHEREAS, radon testing is easy and inexpensive; the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment provides links to reduced-cost radon test kits through www.coloradoradon.info, making radon testing easier and more affordable for citizens; and

WHEREAS, all Colorado citizens are encouraged to protect their families from the serious health risks associated with radon by reducing any elevated radon levels found in their homes, which can be effectively accomplished for the price of a typical home repair.

Therefore, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim January 2023 as

RADON ACTION MONTH

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this first day of January, 2023



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

*Jared Polis
Governor*