

*PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PITKIN
COUNTY, COLORADO HONORING*

Fatima Flores

***WHEREAS**, Fatima Flores is a rising senior at Aspen High School and is an involved member of the school and greater community; and*

***WHEREAS**, Fatima Flores has experienced unintentional and intentional racism within the Aspen community, including at school, and she felt she could no longer sit idly by; and*

***WHEREAS**, Fatima Flores created and conducted a survey of the students and staff at Aspen High School focusing on microaggression and racism and shared her results in a presentation to the entire Aspen High School faculty; and*

***WHEREAS**, microaggression can come in the form of an insult, insensitive comment or slight that communicates derogatory or negative attitudes toward a stigmatized or culturally marginalized group or individual. Fatima's hope was that by sharing what she learned from the survey, teachers would be better prepared to handle these issues in the classroom; and*

***WHEREAS**, it was also important to Fatima to be able to provide resources for people, both within the schools and the community at large, to better educate themselves in how to handle situations involving racism.*

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** the Pitkin County Commissioners and the people of Pitkin County are honored to recognize Fatima Flores with the Pitkin County Cares "Rising Star" award.*

Dated this 13th day of September 2022

County Manager

Pitkin County Board of Commissioners

Jon Peacock

Patti Clapper - Chair