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Wyoming Department of Health
401 Hathaway Building
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Dear Wyoming Department of Health:

The City of Buffalo has worked closely with the Johnson County Prevention Council and Suicide Prevention Coalition for many years. As the Mayor of the City of Buffalo I am pleased to express my full support of the Johnson County Prevention Council, Suicide Prevention Coalition and Prevention Management Organization of Wyoming – Johnson County.

Our community hosts numerous community events each year with 36 held in 2015. The PMO implemented the use of "Event Kits" for these events which has reduced underage drinking and over consumption.

The partnership between the PMO and our Buffalo Police Department in reducing alcohol and tobacco sales to minors has been extremely successful. The Police Department compliance checks and voluntary, free TIPS training by the PMO staff and Police Department officers have greatly reduced underage sales. Buffalo can boast 87% alcohol compliance and 96% tobacco compliance for this past year.

Additionally, the Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) trainings provided to our law enforcement officers, city employees and others interested in suicide prevention have raised suicide awareness and are helping to prevent the immediate risk of suicide.

It is with great pleasure that I support the Johnson County Prevention Council as they seek grant funding. It is truly their programs that are helping to make Buffalo a safer, healthier community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Johnson".

Michael Johnson
Mayor