Darrell Keim 13 May 2021



## Dear Darrell,

Each of Idaho's seven Regional Behavioral Health Boards held a vote to select an individual in their respective communities who exemplifies community advocacy, resiliency, and passion for mental health. Empower Idaho is pleased to inform you that you have been selected by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Region 2 Behavioral Health Board to receive the 2021 Mental Health Advocate Award in celebration of Idaho Mental Health Month!

To illustrate why the Region 2 Behavioral Health Board felt compelled to select you, I will share the following statement: "[Darrell's] skills and leadership has resulted in the establishment of Recovery Centers throughout the state. He is a top performing Recovery Center manager where he and his team raise substantial amounts of donations to keep the Latah Recovery Center open to serve those with mental illness and support their treatment, stability and recovery. Darrell's personal mission and dedication is devoted to those with Behavioral Health needs and strengthening their resiliency... Darrell is extremely supportive of those who work in the Behavioral Health profession and has endless dedication in advancing mental health and substance use treatment in his community. He has nominated many for the Mental Health award winners in past years. We believe it is time Darrell be recognized as the Mental Health advocacy award recipient for 2021."

Congratulations on receiving this meaningful recognition. The Empower Idaho team is grateful for the opportunity to honor you in this way. We are in the process of creating a physical award to commemorate what you mean to the Idaho Mental Health Community, which will be mailed to the Behavioral Health Board, or directly to you. In the meantime, please accept this certificate in recognition of all of your hard work and commitment to helping others!

Sincerely,

Anna Guida, MPA Project Manager - Empower Idaho