



*City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado*

# Proclamation

- Whereas,** the Alpine Bank Junior College World Series, also known as JUCO, comes to Grand Junction at this same time each year and some 550-600 volunteers and 100,000+ fans support the tournament played at the beautiful Sam Suplizio Field at Lincoln Park; and
- Whereas,** the NJCAA JUCO World Series, which Grand Junction has HOSTED for 62 of the 63 years, provides an opportunity for young baseball players across America to compete and demonstrate their OUTSTANDING athletic abilities, to develop lasting friendships, and to create life-long memories; and
- Whereas,** the ten teams that take part in the Series, regardless of where they end up in the final standings, are all WINNERS just by virtue of being in the BEST baseball tournament in America; and
- Whereas,** this year's tournament will be kicked off at the JUCO and Hall of Fame banquet, which is an annual tradition before the first game getting underway at 9:00 A.M. Saturday morning; and
- Whereas,** Grand Junction and other Western Slope communities look forward every year to the opportunity to come together to support the PLAYERS and their FAMILIES by scheduling activities and gatherings specifically incorporating the JUCO games.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, J. Merrick Taggart by the power vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim May 25 – June 1, 2019 as

## *“Junior College World Series Week”*

in the City of Grand Junction, the best baseball town in the United States for this week, and encourage all JUCO fans, young and old, near and far, to commemorate this outstanding long-held tradition by taking part in some and many ways.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

J. Merrick Taggart, Mayor