



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

- Whereas,** worldwide, more than 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer each year; and
- Whereas,** childhood cancer is the number one cause of death by disease of children in the United States; and
- Whereas,** the St. Baldrick's Foundation is the largest volunteer-driven charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives; and
- Whereas,** the St. Baldrick's Foundation currently funds more in childhood cancer research grants than any organization except the U.S. government; and
- Whereas,** enlisting the recognition and support of elected officials in the City of Grand Junction will help to raise awareness and move us closer to finding cures and better treatment options for kids battling this disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of June 17, 2019 as

"St. Baldrick's Foundation Week"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all the citizens of the City to recognize the seriousness of childhood cancers and the meritorious work of the St. Baldrick's Foundation to "Conquer Kids' Cancer" by supporting the 7th Annual St. Baldrick's/Community Hospital Grand Valley Head Shaving Event on June 22nd.

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



Mayor

