

## Grand Junction

State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Grand Junction Business Incubator Center, is one of 7,000 Incubators in the world; and

WHEREAS, during the National Business Incubation Association (NBIA) International Conference, the Grand Junction Business Incubator Center received the Dinah Adkins Incubator of the Year award in the general and special focus category; and

WHEREAS, NBIA is the world's leading organization advancing business incubation and entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, each year, the NBIA Incubation Awards honor the business incubation programs, graduates and client companies that exemplify the best in the industry; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Junction Business Incubator Center has generated powerful results over the last 25 years for the Grand Valley including but not limited to being listed as an NBIA Best Practice Center and winning five national awards; the launch of more than 260 companies; the generation of more than \$156 million in revenue by these companies; the funding of more than 330 businesses in the community; the creation of approximately 10,461 jobs; and the investment of over \$58.5 million in capital.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Susuras, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of May 25-31, 2013 as

"GRAND JUNCTION BUSINESS INCUBATOR CENTER WEEK"

in the City of Grand Junction and ask our citizens to congratulate the Center on winning the Incubator of the Year Award and for being the Grand Valley's Center for Entrepreneurship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2013.

Mayor

