



*City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado*

# Proclamation

**Whereas,** September 8 - 14, 2019 has been designated as “National Direct Support Professional Recognition Week” in order to celebrate and recognize professionals who provide support to millions of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

**Whereas,** the dedication and vital role of direct support professionals enhances the lives of individuals with disabilities of all ages; and

**Whereas,** family members, friends, and the community at large all play a role in commending direct support professionals as integral in supporting the needs that reach beyond the capacities of millions of families and supporting the long-term support and services system in the United States; and

**Whereas,** the Grand Junction City Council recognizes those who directly help people with disabilities in order to access housing, employment, and recreation activities which help create productive and satisfying lives, and to live as independently as possible.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Rick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim September 8 - 14, 2019 as

## *“Direct Support Professional Week”*

in the City of Grand Junction and call upon the citizens of Grand Junction to observe the week with appropriate programs and activities as well as to seek information from those organizations with expertise in matters concerning professionals who support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.



Mayor