

City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

## Proclamation

The U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management in Grand Junction is participating in Nuclear Science Week, an international week-long celebration focused on local, regional, national, and international aspects of nuclear science, providing opportunities for learning about the contributions, innovations, and applications of nuclear science; and

Thereas, Grand Junction and the surrounding areas have a rich history in the mining and processing of uranium and the development of nuclear energy which is helping to reduce carbon emissions and plays a vital part in the country's diverse mix of environmentally-responsible generating resources; and

muclear science professionals throughout the history of Colorado have been dedicated to service and progress in national defense, teaching communities, nuclear medicine, and all areas of power generation, as well as research and development in the communities in which they live and work; and

**Whereas**, nuclear medicine is used in thousands of diagnostic and therapeutic procedures every day to improve the health and lives of individuals living in Mesa County; and

**Whereas**, nuclear space propulsion systems are being used safely and reliably in robotic missions and science experiments beyond our state, nation, and solar system; and

**Whereas**, nuclear marine propulsion is essential to the safe and effective operation of our national naval fleet and the health and welfare of those who serve in our naval fleet; and

**Whereas**, the nuclear science community is reaching beyond old paradigms and beliefs to advance a modem understanding of the nuclear sciences, and

Mesa County educational institutions are preparing students to enter rewarding careers in nuclear science, technology, and related pursuits through their STEM programs (science, technology, engineering, and math).

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Rick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim October 14 - 18, 2019 as

## "Nuclear Science Week"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all citizens of the City to observe this special week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 14th day of October, 2019.

Mayor