



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

- Whereas,** the Grand Valley Gives Collaboration was formed in 2012 on the western slope out of a recognized need to increase awareness and the benefit of giving back to the community where you live, in conjunction with the statewide movement titled “Colorado Gives Day;” and
- Whereas,** this local collaboration seeks to raise awareness for all nonprofits in the Grand Valley community, thereby increasing local philanthropy; and
- Whereas,** as part of the statewide movement of Colorado Gives Day, which is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, the 39 agencies participating in Grand Valley Gives will work together to raise over \$200,000 right here in the Grand Valley; and
- Whereas,** this collaboration believes in the importance of nonprofit agencies working together to enhance giving in our community to ensure that our local nonprofits can continue to provide the services that are so important to Grand Valley citizens; and
- Whereas,** this collaboration strives to draw attention back to the local nonprofit community and the wide array of causes in the Grand Valley; and
- Whereas,** with the benefit of the \$1.5 million incentive fund offered by Community First Foundation and FirstBank as part of Colorado Gives Day, every non-profit that is part of Grand Valley Gives will receive a portion of the incentive fund, increasing the value of every donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2019 as

“Grand Valley Gives Day”

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage all residents to donate to their favorite local non-profit organizations through the Colorado Gives Day website at www.coloradogives.org on this day, to increase their donation through the \$1.5 million incentive fund.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 20th day of November, 2019.

Mayor

