

City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

The International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economic development organization dedicated to serving economic developers; and

Whereas, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

Whereas, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

Thereas, economic developers attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions; and

Whereas, the value provided by economic developers will be sorely needed in 2020 to help our community recover from the economic devastation caused by COVID 19; and

multiple economic development entities have formed the Mesa County Economic Development First Responders team to collectively work together to help facilitate the economic road to recovery including compiling a 20 for 2020 list of needed infrastructure projects that could assist with putting people back to work and improving our economic development prospects; and

Whereas, economic developers work in the City of Grand Junction within the State of Colorado.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim May 4 - 9, 2020 as

"Pational Economic Debelopment Week"

in the City of Grand Junction and remind individuals of the importance of this community celebration which supports expanding career opportunities and improving quality of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 6th day of May 2020.

Mayor Mayor