



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

Whereas, the City Council honors and respects all religious beliefs, cultures, creeds and races and every person's right to believe, or not believe, so long as actions taken in support of those beliefs or creeds do not infringe upon the rights of others; and

Whereas, Grand Valley Interfaith Network is an organization in the Grand Valley of Western Colorado that offers opportunities for community worship, spiritual celebrations, shared learning activities, fellowship and service; and

Whereas, the members of Grand Valley Interfaith Network have been cooperating in efforts to serve the community as proponents of human dignity and rights and agents of compassion in seeking to meet essential human needs in Grand Junction and Mesa County since 1977; and

Whereas, many Grand Junction faith groups have partnered with Grand Valley Interfaith Network to offer a series of activities and events, which are open to all people of any faith and those who are not so affiliated, in the days and weeks leading up to the annual Interfaith Awareness Week, to be followed by days of individual reflection on connection and peace; and

Whereas, Grand Valley Interfaith Network demonstrates positive acceptance of religious diversity and the exchange of ideas and resources in Grand Valley communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Duke Wortmann, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim August 3 – 9, 2020 as

"Interfaith Awareness Week"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all the citizens of the City to be open minded and respect all religions, beliefs, cultures, creeds and races.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 15th day of July, 2020.





Mayor