



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

- Whereas,** the infrastructure that brings City of Grand Junction residents an average of 89 gallons of water per person, per day, and then safely returns water to the environment is essential to the quality of life, environment and economic vitality of the City of Grand Junction; and
- Whereas,** a day without water would be a public health and safety crisis due to the impacts which would limit the abilities of safety personnel such as firefighters and hospitals staff to do their jobs, as well as businesses and homes to function; and
- Whereas,** water infrastructure is critical in protecting public health during the coronavirus pandemic; and
- Whereas,** the City of Grand Junction formed a public water utility in 1900 and completed construction of the original water system; and
- Whereas,** America's water infrastructure is aging and failing—and there are communities that have never had access to infrastructure; and
- Whereas,** our water infrastructure is necessary for a thriving economy and public health protection, but is facing unprecedented challenges; and
- Whereas,** the City of Grand Junction is dedicated to investing in safe and reliable water and wastewater infrastructure; and
- Whereas,** “Imagine a Day Without Water” is an annual national advocacy campaign to educate the public about why water is an essential, invaluable resource, highlighting the critical importance of access to reliable, clean water and the need for water infrastructure investments necessary to maintain and rebuild these vital systems.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.E. Duke Wortmann, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2020 as

“Imagine a Day Without Water Day”

In the City of Grand Junction and urge all citizens to learn about the value of water through the “Imagine a Day Without Water” campaign.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 21st day of October, 2020.

C.E. Duke Wortmann

Mayor

