



*City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado*

# Proclamation

- Whereas,** McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area was established by Public Law 106–353 on October 24, 2000, and was renamed in honor of Representative Scott McInnis by Public Law 108–400 on January 1, 2005; and
- Whereas,** McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area consists of approximately 123,430 acres of protected public land, including the 75,000-acre Black Ridge Canyons Wilderness; and
- Whereas,** McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area includes the second-highest concentration of natural arches in North America, internationally important paleontological resources, numerous pictograph and petroglyph sites, and world-class mountain biking and other recreational opportunities; and
- Whereas,** McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area provides many benefits to our residents from recreational pursuits to ranching to other multiple uses; and
- Whereas,** residents and visitors to the City of Grand Junction enjoy the recreational, health, scenic and economic benefits from the McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area; and
- Whereas,** McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area will observe the 20th anniversary of its establishment on October 24, 2020 and will offer many special events and activities to promote McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area during the Fall of 2020.

**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 24, 2020 as

## ***“McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area Day”***

in the City of Grand Junction to include our voice in the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area and express the critical importance of McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area to the success and well-being of our community.

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

*C.E. Duke Wortmann*

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Mayor

