



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

Whereas, in 1986, President Ronald Reagan issued a Presidential Proclamation stating that “the foremost purpose of Black History Month is to make all Americans aware of this struggle for freedom and equal opportunity. ... that this month was a time ‘to celebrate the many achievements of African Americans in every field from science and the arts to politics and religion’; and

Whereas, Black History Month affords a special opportunity to become more knowledgeable about black heritage, and to honor the many black leaders who have contributed to the progress of our nation and our community; and

Whereas, such knowledge can strengthen the insight of all of our community members regarding the issues of human rights, the great strides that have been made in the crusade to eliminate the barriers of equality for minority groups, and the continuing struggle against racial discrimination and poverty.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anna Stout, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim February 2023 as

“Black History Month”

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all citizens to join in support of justice and equality for all people.

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 February 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anna Stout", written over a horizontal line.

Mayor

