

City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

- America is, always has been, and always will be a nation of immigrants; It was the premise of our founding, reflected in our Constitution and etched upon the Statue of Liberty that "from her beacon-hand glows world-wide welcome"; and
- **Whereas**, during National Immigrant Heritage Month, we reaffirm and draw strength from that enduring identity and celebrate the history and achievements of immigrant communities across our nation; and
- **Whereas**, across each generation throughout our history, wave after wave of immigrants have enriched our nation and made us better, stronger, more innovative, and more prosperous; and
- **Whereas**, despite these countless contributions, the role of immigrants in building and enriching our nation has frequently been overlooked and undervalued throughout our history and continuing to the present day; and
- **Whereas**, the United States, because of the Constitution, is a beacon of hope for people all over the globe seeking a better life and peaceful future; and
- **Whereas**, immigration enhances Grand Junction's cultural diversity, as foreign-born individuals add to the variety of languages, customs, and cuisines enjoyed in the City.

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

"Immigrant Heritage Month"

in the City of Grand Junction and call this observance to the attention of all our Citizens to encourage them to learn more about the social and economic impact of immigrants to our community and state.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this7th day of June, 2023.

Mayor