

*City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado*

# Proclamation

**Whereas,** the month of March 2024 has been designated as “National Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month” in order to celebrate and recognize people with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

**Whereas,** disability is a natural part of the human experience and in no way diminishes the right of people with disabilities to make choices, contribute to society and experience in full the many blessings of American society; and

**Whereas,** family members, friends and the community at large all play a role in supporting people with disabilities as they pursue their dreams; and

**Whereas,** the goals of this city properly include helping people with disabilities realize full access to housing, employment and the recreational activities which they choose to help them lead fulfilling and meaningful lives on their own terms.

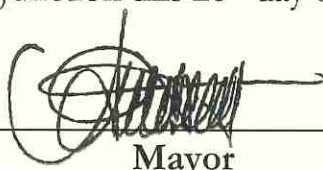
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Anna Stout, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim March 2024 as

***“Intellectual and Develoamental Disabilities Awareness Month”***

in the City of Grand Junction, I call upon the community members of Grand Junction to observe the month with appropriate programs and activities. Furthermore, I encourage the citizens of Junction to seek information from those organizations with expertise on how they can support and include people with disabilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.



  
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Mayor