

City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

## Proclamation

In 1988 Grand Valley Catholic Outreach (GVCO) was formed by the combined effort of valley's four Catholic parishes – St. Joseph and Immaculate Heart of Mary (Grand Junction), Sacred Heart (Fruita), and St. Ann (Palisade); and

in the ensuing 37 years with the support of interfaith and civic peoples and organizations, GVCO has offered resources along with respect, dignity, and hope to those in distress; and

the GVCO with Catholic meaning that anyone and everyone could serve or be served – has reliably, faithfully and boldly served in the community; and

Beverly Lampley joined Catholic Outreach in August 2002 as the Director of Housing drawing on her experience as a trained social worker to serve and try to better the lives of others; and

after a brief retirement in 2013 she became the GVCO Director of Development and Communication; and

over the years of her service to GVCO Beverly was integral to the GVCO mission of caring and compassionate service, including overseeing the planning, construction and opening of Grand Junction's first transitional housing complexes, St. Martin and St Benedict houses; and

**Whereas**, as the Director of Development and Communication, Beverly held an important role in Catholic Outreach's Mother Theresa Place which will be dedicated on April 24, 2025; and

Mother Theresa's Place will house 40 adults chronically experiencing homelessness and in so doing honor to the basic principle that the solution to homelessness is homes; and

Beverly loved this community and its people unconditionally, it is right and proper to honor her and the commitment she had until her death on June 8, 2024, to improving the lives of others,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Abram Herman, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2025 as

## "Beberly Lampley Bay"

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage the recognition of her and her accomplishments by committing to serve in the spirit and with grace, peace, and mercy that she has served.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.

Mayor