

City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

## Proclamation

- **Whereas**, Competitive cycling has been an important part of the economy and culture of Grand Junction for over 40 years; and
- The Coors International Bicycle Classic stage on the Colorado National Monument dubbed the "Tour of the Moon" in Grand Junction has become famous to cycling fans around the world.
- Thereas, Competitive road and mountain bike racing in Grand Junction has been an economic engine since the 1980s, boosting the sales of local bike shops, restaurants, breweries, and motels/hotels, and related businesses; and
- The Colorado Mesa University Mavericks cycling teams, men and women's, road and mountain bike, are collectively the number one cycling program in the country, earning numerous championships and generating world-class competitors from Grand Junction; and
- The City of Grand Junction recognizes the cultural value that competitive cycling has brought to Grand Junction and the health benefits and enjoyment of riding a bicycle for competition, utility, and recreation.
- Thereas, On this 40th anniversary year of the release of the feature film American Flyers, showing scenes of the Colorado National Monument prominently in the film, the City recognizes the importance of competitive cycling to local arts and culture.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Cody Kennedy, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2025 as

## "Competitive Cycling and Tour of the Moon Month"

in the City of Grand Junction. The City proclaims the value of competitive cycling to area culture and business and suggests that everyone get out and RIDE A BIKE this month.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2025.

Mayor