

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

"Celebrate My Drive" encourages teens to make positive choices as they begin driving, like 2N2 -- 2 eyes on the road, 2 hands on the wheel; and

WHEREAS,

more teens die from car crashes than any other cause and the first year is the most dangerous; we are engaging teens while they learn to drive in a supportive and positive way; and

WHEREAS,

U.S. National Teen Driver Safety Week is October 15-24, 2014; and

WHEREAS,

High school students age 14 and over, along with their schools, communities, friends and families, are uniting to take part in local "Celebrate My Drive" events and make safe driving commitments. The 100 high schools with the most commitments will be awarded a total of \$3.25 million in grants; and

WHEREAS,

R-5 High School as sponsored by Steve Kendrick State Farm Insurance, has committed to safe teen driving by avoiding the four riskiest teen driving behaviors: speeding, impaired driving, distracted driving, and not wearing a seat belt; and

WHEREAS,

Grant monies are awarded to schools who obtain the greatest number of votes and commitments to safe driving. This requires community support. The "Commitment Period" of the program runs from October 15, 2014 to October 24, 2014. During this time, students, parents, faculty and staff, and community members will log onto celebratemydrive.com, find their high school among those listed, and make a daily commitment to stay safe on the road; and

WHEREAS,

R-5 High School could be a recipient of a grant from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Ten percent of each grant award must be spent in support of teen driver safety programs; the other 90% would be spent on R5's school related needs to include paving the parking lot and seeking additional classroom space.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim October 15th through 24th, 2014, as

"TEEN DRIVER SAFETY WEEK"

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage citizens to go on-line and vote for R-5 High School for the "Celebrate My Drive" awards.

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 October, 2014.



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