

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, May 16, 2015 is the fifth Kids to Parks Day organized and launched by the National Park Trust; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day empowers kids and encourages families to get outdoors and visit America's parks; and

WHEREAS, it is important to introduce a new generation to our nation's parks because of the decline in park attendance over the last decades; and

WHEREAS, we should encourage children to lead a more active lifestyle to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension, and hypercholesterolemia; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, The Play 2 Dream Foundation is honoring the outstanding community service by Grand Junction resident John Leane with a fully accessible playground; and

WHEREAS, this new playground will be dedicated to the community at Canyon View Park on May 8th.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim May 16, 2015 as

"KIDS TO PARKS DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge residents of the community to attend the new playground dedication on May 8th and to make time on May 16, 2015 to take the children in their lives to a neighborhood, state, or national park.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 6th day of May, 2015.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

