

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, suicide among military veterans is one of the most disruptive and tragic events a family and a community can experience; and

WHEREAS, nationally 22 deaths from suicide per day are Veterans; and

WHEREAS, statistics show that awareness, education, and “the power of one action” does save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Junction City Council is pleased to support and endorse suicide prevention efforts by the Grand Junction Veterans Health Care System that will lead to the end to this tragic loss of life.

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

“VETERANS ADMINISTRATION SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH”

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all citizens to work to prevent suicide in military veterans by increasing their awareness of warning signs, reaching out to those at risk, and ensuring that adequate resources are available for those experiencing periods of helplessness and hopelessness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 2nd day of September, 2015.

Mayor

