

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for the last 28 years Maestro Kirk Gustafson has been the Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra's Music Director and a lecturer at Colorado Mesa University for the Music Department; and

WHEREAS, since 1987 he has conducted 200+ performances for over 300,000 adults and children while with the Grand Junction Symphony; and

WHEREAS, he is credited with bringing the Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra to a new artistic level through his commitment to the orchestra's artistic growth, diverse programming of orchestral masterworks, and the introduction of nationally recognized artists such as Lynn Harrell to the local Symphony audience; and

WHEREAS, he remains deeply committed to the education of young musicians and has been instrumental in creating a variety of music education programs through the Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra and partnering with many other local organizations; and

WHEREAS, in concert with the Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra, the Grand Junction Symphony Chorus, and four outstanding soloists he will perform his chosen final concert of Verdi's Requiem at the Grand Junction High School Auditorium on April 19, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2016 as

"MAESTRO KIRK GUSTAFSON DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage all his devoted fans to thank him for his outstanding service to the Grand Junction art community and to wish him well in retirement. His contribution to the Grand Junction Symphony will not be forgotten.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 19th day of April, 2016.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

