## Grand Junction

## State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the year 2016 marks the 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of the Federal Fair Housing Act: Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Act of 1968 guarantees that housing throughout the City of Grand Junction and the United States of America should be made available to all citizens without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, familial status, gender, or disability; and

WHEREAS, illegal barriers to equal opportunity in housing, no matter how subtle, diminish the rights of all and only with the cooperation, commitment, and support of the City of Grand Junction, can barriers to the enjoyment of housing choice be removed.

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

## **"FAIR HOUSING MONTH"**

in the City of Grand Junction and hereby recognizes the Grand Junction Housing Authority, Housing Resources of Western Colorado, STRiVE, and other community housing providers for their work to promote fair housing choices and to eliminate barriers to housing opportunities for all. The Grand Junction City Council encourages everyone to share the vision for equal housing opportunities of all residents in Grand Junction.

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 April, 2016.