



Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *Up with People was founded in 1965 during a turbulent period in the United States as a positive voice for young people; and*

WHEREAS, *Up with People is celebrating its 50th Anniversary as an international, educational, and cultural program for young adults between the ages of 17 and 29 that brings people together through volunteerism and music; and*

WHEREAS, *Up with People exemplifies the quintessential American idea that we can bring positive change and solve problems communally when we work together; and*

WHEREAS, *the cast of 100 Up with People volunteers from 20 different countries will be staying with 50 host families in Grand Junction from August 22nd through August 29th as they volunteer over 1,000 hours to local humanitarian operations such as Grey Gourmet; St. Mary's Hospital Rose Hill Hospitality House; Catholic Outreach; The House; and Mesa County Department of Human Services; and*

WHEREAS, *Up with People will work with Grand Junction High School to provide a culture fair, show, and leadership workshop for students across the school district to inspire young people to learn from other cultures and make change in their community; and*

WHEREAS, *the Up with People cast will be performing at the Grand Junction High School Auditorium during the week of August 22nd.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim August 22 through August 29, 2016 as

"UP WITH PEOPLE WEEK"

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage citizens to celebrate the profound impact of volunteerism and music that encourages people to discover their own power on how to make a difference and build a brighter future in their neighborhoods, their cities, their nation, and the world.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 17th day of August, 2016.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

