

# Grand Junction

State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** *public safety is a top priority in Grand Junction; and*
- WHEREAS,** *safety from fire is important both to citizens and local firefighters, who put their lives on the line with every response to fire; and*
- WHEREAS,** *first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of fire and fire injuries and death through prevention and fire safety education; and*
- WHEREAS,** *operating smoke detectors have decreased fire related deaths by over 20% since 2002; and*
- WHEREAS,** *in 2015 U.S. fire departments responded to over 500 thousand structure fires causing 2,685 fire fatalities, 13,000 civilian fire injuries, and \$10.3 billion in direct property loss; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the Grand Junction Fire Department is joining the National Fire Protection Association in teaching lifesaving messages; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Fire Prevention Week's 2016 message of, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years," - Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm, is an important reminder for all citizens of Grand Junction.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of October 9-15 2016, as**

### "FIRE PREVENTION WEEK"

*in the City of Grand Junction. This week is commemorated across North America and supported by the public safety efforts of fire departments, schools, and other safety advocates in partnership with the National Fire Protection Association.*

*For more information on how you can support "Fire Prevention Week" go to [www.FPW.org](http://www.FPW.org).*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this day 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.**

*Phyllis Norris*  
Mayor

