

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** *premature birth, those babies born before 37 weeks, is the leading cause of newborn deaths; and*
- WHEREAS,** *among babies who survive, it can be a cause of serious lifelong health problems; and*
- WHEREAS,** *one in 12 Colorado babies is born too soon; and*
- WHEREAS,** *prematurity takes an enormous toll on families and costs society billions of dollars; and*
- WHEREAS,** *most people are unaware of this common and serious problem; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the March of Dimes, known for conquering the epidemic of polio, is now bringing people together to promote awareness and fight the crisis of prematurity.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim November 17, 2016 as

“MARCH OF DIMES WORLD PREMATUREITY DAY”

in the City of 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 16th day of November, 2016.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

