

# Grand Junction

State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, beef and beef products sales account for 75% of Colorado's \$3.7 billion annual cash receipts from livestock sales, and account for 60% of Colorado's total cash receipts from all agricultural sales; and*

*WHEREAS, beef and beef products are the number one most valuable agricultural product in Mesa County, accounting for nearly the same cash sales as corn, fruits, hay, and other crops combined; and*

*WHEREAS, beef and beef products are the number one most valuable product of any kind exported from Colorado annually, and Colorado ranks fourth out of all states in the value of its beef exports; and*

*WHEREAS, the Colorado Cattlemen's Association was formed in 1867 to represent the interest of beef cattle producers on issues of business, livestock theft, and governance in the Colorado Territory; and*

*WHEREAS, the Colorado Cattlemen's Association is the oldest statewide livestock association in the United States, and it is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary at its annual convention to be held in Grand Junction June 12<sup>th</sup> – June 14<sup>th</sup>; and*


*WHEREAS, the Colorado Cattlemen's Association currently has 46 local affiliated organizations, including the Mesa County Cattlemen's Association.*

*Now, therefore, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of June 11 to June 17, 2017 as*

*"Colorado Cattlemen's Association Week*

*in the City of Grand Junction and call upon all citizens to help recognize and congratulate the Colorado Cattlemen's Association on their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.*

  
Mayor

