

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the purpose of World Homeless Day is to draw attention to homeless people's needs locally and provide opportunities for the community to get involved in responding to homelessness, while taking advantage of the stage an 'international day' provides; and

WHEREAS, World Homeless Day was created on the 10th of October 2010 through discussions of various aid workers around the world, all of whom were helping the homeless in their own countries; and

WHEREAS, the aim is for citizens to "act locally on a global day". The emphasis is on giving hands-on aid that is sensitive to local needs while being aware of the global problem of homelessness and feeling solidarity with other homeless shelters and aid organizations around the world; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, World Homeless Day has been observed on every continent except Antarctica, in several dozen countries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction recognizes the homeless population in the community and the need for resources and opportunities for the betterment of their situations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim October 10, 2017 as

"WORLD HOMELESS DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage all members of the community to become educated about homeless issues, and to celebrate and support local good works.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 20th day of September 2017.

Mayor

