

# Grand Junction

State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, at this time of year the temperature drops, forcing people without homes to risk living in the elements; and*

*WHEREAS, our aim is to shine the light on the issue of homelessness by creating awareness of this issue affecting so many men, women, children and veterans. We believe this issue doesn't just affect the homeless, but the community as a whole; and*

*WHEREAS, during National Homeless Awareness Month we can educate our community about who the homeless are, the problems that the homeless face, and how we can work together to find effective solutions to this problem; and*

*WHEREAS, participating in Homelessness Awareness Month not only raises awareness and promotes ending poverty in our community; it also strengthens the national movement to end homelessness. Bringing attention to the plight of the homeless can foster greater understanding and solidarity, and inspire others to take action; and*

*WHEREAS, during this month, everyone can participate by helping to raise awareness for the homeless in their community. Grassroots campaigns and fundraisers work at the local level, while taking advantage of the increased publicity and solidarity a national platform provides.*

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

**"NATIONAL HOMELESS AWARENESS MONTH"**

*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 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017.*



  
Mayor

