

# Grand Junction

State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, for 25 years, Grand Junction's community-owned, nonprofit organization known as HopeWest has been dedicated to profoundly changing the way our community experiences aging, illness and grief--one family at a time; and*

*WHEREAS, our community has provided thousands of volunteer hours and millions of charitable dollars resulting in services that are nationally recognized for quality and are tailored to meet the individual needs of residents of all ages and illnesses; and*

*WHEREAS, HopeWest serves and cares for more than 1,500 patients every year in Grand Junction. 1,200 patients are enrolled in the hospice program and 300 patients are enrolled in the Transitions, Journeys and Living with Cancer palliative care programs; and*

*WHEREAS, every citizen can play a role in helping their neighbors and enabling HopeWest to transform life's most challenging times through their volunteer service and gifts; and*

*WHEREAS, Hospice and Palliative Care Month presents a unique opportunity to increase awareness of these programs and honor all who make them possible.*

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

### **"HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH"**

*in the City of Grand Junction and ask that the City Council encourage the support and participation of friends, neighbors, colleagues and fellow citizens in hospice activities and programs now and throughout the year.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 15th day of November, 2017.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Merrick Taggart".

Mayor

