

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Grand Valley Gives Collaboration was formed in 2012 on the western slope out of a recognized need to increase awareness and the benefit of giving back to the community where you live, in conjunction with the statewide movement titled "Colorado Gives Day;" and

WHEREAS, this local collaboration seeks to raise awareness for all nonprofits in the Grand Valley community, thereby increasing local philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, as part of the statewide movement of Colorado Gives Day, which is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, December 5, 2017, the 33 agencies participating in Grand Valley Gives will work together to raise over \$175,000 right here in the Grand Valley; and

WHEREAS, this collaboration believes in the importance of nonprofit agencies working together to enhance giving in our community to ensure that our local nonprofits can continue to provide the services that are so important to Grand Valley citizens; and

WHEREAS, this collaboration strives to draw attention back to the local nonprofit community and the wide array of causes in the Grand Valley; and

WHEREAS, with the benefit of the \$1 million incentive fund offered by Community First Foundation as part of Colorado Gives Day, every non-profit that is part of Grand Valley Gives will receive a portion of the incentive fund, increasing the value of every donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim December 5, 2017 as

"Grand Valley Gives Day"

in the City of Grand Junction and encourages all residents to donate to their favorite local non-profit organizations by going to the Colorado Gives Day website at www.coloradogives.org on this day, in order to increase their donation through the \$1 million incentive fund.

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.



Mayor

