

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mesa County Valley School District 51 employs 2,844 teachers and staff currently serving 22,084 students in 46 schools throughout the Grand Valley; and

WHEREAS, teachers work hard in schools throughout the nation every day to provide a safe, high quality, and stable learning environment for children; and

WHEREAS, our future is written in schools across our country, and we know a student's circumstances do not dictate his or her potential; and

WHEREAS, having an effective teacher is the most important in-school factor for student success by providing them with opportunities to develop skills for the fulfillment of achievable goals in life and in work, which strengthens our economy and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, teachers often do not receive the pay or praise they deserve for dedicating their lives to educating the children of our community; and

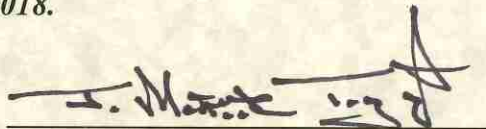
WHEREAS, teachers should be accorded in high public esteem, reflecting the value placed on their skills and abilities, and the importance of public education.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Merrick Taggart, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim May 7 -11, 2018 as

"TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK"

in the City of Grand Junction and call upon all members of our community to express their appreciation for the educators who engage, equip, and empower our learning community today for a limitless tomorrow.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 2nd day of May 2018.



Mayor

