



City of Grand Junction, State of Colorado

Proclamation

- Whereas,** the City of Grand Junction and its partner water providers - Ute Water Conservancy District and Clifton Water - continue to explore ways to manage consumption of water, and to inspire community members to care for our natural resources; and
- Whereas,** Grand Junction is located in an arid climate where drought is a critical and ever-present factor in water use; and
- Whereas,** municipal and other water providers can engage in efforts to inspire our community, as well as our neighboring communities, to become better environmental stewards; and
- Whereas,** the eighth annual National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation presented by the Wyland Foundation and Toyota, is a healthy, non-profit competition between cities across the US for water use reduction; and
- Whereas,** with the encouragement of City Council, residents may register their participation in the Challenge, by making an online pledge to decrease their water use for a period of one year; and
- Whereas,** as part of the competition with other cities across the US, our community and participants stand to benefit from winning prizes and garnering recognition as a result of our participation; and
- Whereas,** as a result of the competition, Grand Junction hopes to be among the winning cities, but more importantly, hopes to spread more understanding about the importance of water conservation; and
- Whereas,** from April 1- 30, 2019, the City of Grand Junction wishes to inspire its residents and its neighboring communities to take the "Wyland Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation" by making a series of online pledges at mywaterpledge.com to reduce their impact on the environment and to see savings in their water bills;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara Traylor Smith, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as

"Water Conservation Month"

in the City of Grand Junction, in support of the Wyland Mayor's Challenge for water conservation and encourages all residents to take an active role in water conservation, both during April as well as all year, by signing an online pledge to reduce water consumption.



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 March, 2019.

Barbara Traylor Smith
Mayor