



# Grand Junction

State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, water is one of the most important and precious natural resources that we possess because it is essential to our continued health and prosperity; and*
- WHEREAS, our water provides economic and personal well-being to us and to people far beyond our boundaries; and*
- WHEREAS, a high quality of life for all people is dependent on a clean and abundant water supply; and*
- WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction, Ute Water Conservancy District, and Clifton Water District have faithfully provided high quality water to our community for many years; and*
- WHEREAS, for the past 5 years the community has embraced the DRiP (drought response information project) and made clear and conscientious efforts at reducing water waste and managing water consumption; and*
- WHEREAS, continuing water education, awareness, and management are important steps in helping citizens understand and respond to the growing need for limited water supplies, the need to find ways to enhance those supplies, and to promote conservation to provide for all uses as we continue to grow; and*
- WHEREAS, the year 2012 is a milestone for many water development and conservation projects including the 105<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the City's filing for the Paramount Decree on Kannah Creek, the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gunnison Tunnel, the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Colorado River Compact, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the State's creation of the Colorado Water Conservation Board and the Colorado River Water Conservation District, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Flaming Gorge Dam as part of the Upper Colorado Project, and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Colorado Foundation for Water Education; and*
- WHEREAS, greater awareness of the importance of water and the issues surrounding its use, reuse, and protection can be achieved through community education, action, and celebration in observance thereof.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tom Kenyon, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim 2012 as*

### **“THE YEAR OF WATER”**

*in the City of Grand Junction.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2012.*

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Mayor

