

## Grand Junction

## State of Colorado

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Colorado is a premiere bicycling state and Grand Junction offers some of the most diverse bicycling

opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Colorado has designated each June as Bike Month to

celebrate bicycling for transportation, fun and health;

and

WHEREAS, Colorado joins a nationwide effort to encourage cycling

> novices and enthusiasts to experience the fun and freedom of safely riding a bike to work, school, errands

and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form

of transportation and an excellent form of recreation;

WHEREAS, the education of bicyclists and motorists as to the proper

and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the

safety and comfort of all users; and

WHEREAS, bicycling activities and attractions have a positive impact

> on Grand Junction's economy and tourism industry and stimulates economic development by making the area attractive to businesses and citizens who enjoy the out-

of-doors and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to

> improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety, and to reduce pollution and congestion, all of which would contribute to Grand Junction "Becoming the Most

Livable Community West of the Rockies"; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Trails Committee, Grand Valley Bikes, the

Junk Ride, and local governments throughout Mesa will be promoting bicycling environmentally-friendly alternative to the automobile

on Bike to Work Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Teresa Coons, by the power

vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim

Wednesday, June 23, 2010 as

## "BIKE TO WORK DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction and call upon all citizens to participate by biking as an alternative form of transportation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction

this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 2010.

Mayor

