

**PROCLAMATION** *Error! Bookmark not defined.*

**WHEREAS,** *Blue Star Mothers are the proud mothers of the troops and veterans of this National organization founded in 1942 and chartered by congress in 1960. The local chapter was chartered on November 23rd, 2007 and has grown to over 50 members and associates; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the Blue Star Mothers actively enlisted community support, reached out to their veterans, wounded warriors and military families and provided regular shipments of care packages to our deployed troops as well as raised many local heroes and loaned our sons and daughters to the US military; and*

**WHEREAS,** *November is the month we honor our veterans and where we rally community members in a holiday drive to gather items and packages for Christmas Care packages to all the local heroes not at home for the holidays; and*

**WHEREAS,** *November is the month the National President of the Blue Star Mothers who is also a resident of Grand Junction, will be traveling to Washington DC and Arlington Cemetery to participate in the National Memorial Day Services and wreath laying at The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; and*

**WHEREAS,** *The mission is to perpetuate Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc., and the memory of all the men and women who have served our country as members of the Armed Forces:*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do recognize November as**

***“Blue Star Mothers Month”***

*in the City of Grand Junction, and ask our community to recognize these outstanding efforts of this organization and encourage everyone to support this organization across the Nation.*

**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 November, 2009.**

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**Mayor**