

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the next Census will be taken in the Year of 2010; and political representation to the United States House of Representatives, state legislatures, and local governments is determined by the Census, and the City of Grand Junction recognizes the equal importance of each resident in the 2010 Census Count; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction has agreed to be one of 39,000 government entities in partnerships with the United States Bureau of the Census and will serve as a regional center that employ over 200 people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction understands that its primary role in this partnership is to formulate a Complete Count Committee that should include, but is not limited to the following subcommittees: Government, Education, Media, Religion, Community-based Organizations, Business, Recruiting, and Special Housing; and

WHEREAS, Mayors from all Cities have been asked to organize community leaders to assist in education so that a complete, accurate count can be made in all cities; and

WHEREAS, every person residing in the City that is not counted will decrease funding to education, health care, and local government by \$870 each; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction desires to provide the best possible services for all residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gregg Palmer, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim full support and participation in the overwhelming success of Census 2010 through the formulation of a Complete Count Committee.

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 March, 2009.

Mayor