

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical service teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical service providers have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care systems; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical service teams consist of emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, emergency physicians, emergency nurses, administrators and others; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical service teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Grand Junction benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical service providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of May 17 through May 23, 2009, as

“EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK”

in the City of Grand Junction, and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 18th day of May 2009.

Mayor