

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, strong families are a fundamental core upon which our nation was founded, and the strength of our families is vital to the success of our communities, state, and country; and

WHEREAS, we all should recommit to enhancing and extending all of the connections that strengthen and enrich families; and

WHEREAS, families offer direction for the future by nurturing values, traditions and standards for excellence, and are models for caring from birth through the aging years, serving as a foundation for a happy and productive adulthood; and

WHEREAS, during Thanksgiving week we all should take time to honor the importance of families, and recognize the special connections that support and strengthen families year-round; and

WHEREAS, the experience of growing up in a secure, loving family environment helps individuals develop talents that contribute to better citizenship and service in our communities; and

WHEREAS, everyone has a role to play in making families successful, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, nonprofit agencies, policymakers, and of course, families themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim November 20 – 26, 2005 as

“ FAMILY WEEK ”

in the City of Grand Junction and we encourage the citizens of the City of Grand Junction to join in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 19th day of October, 2005.

Mayor