

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** *in 1881, a man named George Crawford encountered a beautiful place in western Colorado at the junction of the Grand (later renamed the Colorado) and Gunnison Rivers; and*
- WHEREAS,** *he thought that this beautiful place would be the perfect location for a new town; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the original town was platted in one square mile bounded by North Avenue, South Avenue, 1st Street, and 12th Street; and*
- WHEREAS,** *on June 29, 1882, the incorporation of this fine town was publicly announced; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the populace of this town was determined to see the town prosper economically while preserving the small-town charm and natural beauty that drew them to the community in the first place; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Grand Junction, over the course of these 125 years, has grown to be a strong and viable presence in the agriculture, tourism, and energy industries in Colorado, and has successfully managed to retain much of the original character upon which it was built; and*
- WHEREAS,** *beginning June 29, 2007, Grand Junction will commemorate 125 years since incorporation.*

Now therefore, I, Jim Doody, Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, do hereby proclaim June 2007, as

"Grand Junction's 125th Anniversary Month"

in the City of Grand Junction, Colorado and encourage all citizens to participate in the celebration of this milestone by attending any of the many scheduled activities beginning with the kick-off June 29th at Lincoln Park.

Furthermore, I, Jim Doody, by the power vested in me as Mayor, do hereby designate "Grand Junction, My Home Town" as the official song for the City of Grand Junction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this sixth day of June, 2007.

Mayor