

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, *the Gay and Lesbian Fund for Colorado was established in 1996 as a program of the Gill Foundation; and*

WHEREAS, *the Gay and Lesbian Fund is dedicated to celebrating the good works of Colorado's nonprofit organizations. It does so by supporting organizations that share a fundamental goal with the Gay and Lesbian Fund, the creation of equality for all people; and*

WHEREAS, *through the efforts of the Gay and Lesbian Fund, the quality of life for families and communities throughout Colorado has been enhanced; and*

WHEREAS, *since its inception in 1996, the Gay and Lesbian Fund has granted over \$16 million to hundreds of nonprofit organizations throughout the state whose program areas include arts and culture, civic leadership, healthy families, and public broadcasting; and*

WHEREAS, *in addition to providing financial assistance, the Gay and Lesbian Fund offers training programs, workshops, technical assistance and public meeting space to strengthen nonprofits, ability to grow, flourish and succeed; and*

WHEREAS, *nonprofit organizations that help improve quality of life in Grand Junction have received a total of \$194,950 in funds from the Gay and Lesbian Fund since 1996.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James J. Doody, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby recognize the

“Gay and Lesbian Fund for Colorado”

for its 10 years of commitment to the citizens of 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 2nd day of November, 2006.

Mayor