PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Jim Spehar was elected to the Grand Junction City Council as District B's representative in April, 1999; and
- WHEREAS, in his eight years of service, Councilman Spehar served the citizens of this community to the highest degree including serving as Mayor and President of the City Council from May, 2003 until May, 2004, and served on the Colorado Municipal League as a board member, on many committees and in this last year as President of CML; and
- WHEREAS, many important projects have been accomplished during his service on the Council such as a new City Hall, Canyon View Park, the City's largest regional park at 110 acres, the remodel of Two Rivers Convention Center, the City/County Employee Parking Garage, the Combined Sewer Elimination Project, the Sewer Septic Elimination Project, a new Fire Station on the Redlands and the implementation of EMS/Transport Services of the City; and
- WHEREAS, several projects are currently underway in which Councilman Spehar played a role, most notably the Riverside Parkway Project, the Rood Avenue Parking Garage, the reconstruction of Seventh Street, the Ranchman's Ditch Stormwater Improvement Project and the construction of a new facility to house the Colorado Bureau of Investigation; and
- WHEREAS, Councilman Spehar has exhibited his passion for the City's water resources by serving on the Colorado Water Congress for eight years, the recently formed Western Colorado Water Congress and has been very involved in the City's development of regulation of activities in the City's watershed; and
- WHEREAS, Councilman Spehar has championed the cause of affordable housing by organizing the Affordable Housing Forum and playing a leadership role on the Affordable Housing Coalition; and
- WHEREAS, Jim's zeal for accomplishing goals has benefited this community and the City organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Doody, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2007 as

"JIM SPEHAR DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction, and we thank him for his years of service to this community. We wish Jim all the best in his future endeavors.

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 May, 2007.

Mayor		