

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *we stand resolved to build a foundation of democratic principles so that our nation will continue to grow and flourish; and*

WHEREAS, *the need for Kids Voting is greater now than ever before because we must make every effort, use every resource, and collaborate with every partner to educate our students about why it is so important to be active citizens, to be involved in their communities, to play active roles, and use their votes and their voices; and*

WHEREAS, *we must prepare our youth to be leaders, voters, good citizens, and good neighbors; and*

WHEREAS, *Kids Voting is a private, nonpartisan, nonprofit grassroots organization dedicated to building a better informed generation of voters and citizens active in their government; and*

WHEREAS, *Kids Voting Mesa County strives to improve citizen involvement in democracy in our community by preparing current and future generations of citizens for participation in their government; and*

WHEREAS, *research has proven that when students become involved in Kids Voting, their parents also become involved in their government and the election process.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim October, 2009 as

“Kids Voting Month”

in the City of Grand Junction encourage all citizens to support the Kids Voting program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 5th day of October, 2009.

Mayor