

Grand Junction

State of Colorado PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

the Grand Junction community has been shaped throughout its history by the wide-ranging vision of many colorful and interesting men and women; and

WHEREAS,

the stories of these significant men and women are to be told and retold through a walking tour of history for the benefit of those who love Grand Junction – its current and future children, residents, visitors and history-seekers; and

WHEREAS,

the many and distinctive people who create Grand Junction's unique sense of place have come and gone, and will continue to do so; and

WHEREAS,

people, time and events create the future; and

WHEREAS,

leaders act, the future unfolds, and the people and their deeds fade into the mists of the past; and

WHEREAS,

the City of Grand Junction was Colorado's first municipality to win the prestigious Governor's Award for wide-ranging use of arts and culture to build community; and

WHEREAS.

a team of local citizens has created a public, private partnership with area business leaders, local arts and historical communities to create The Legends of the Grand Valley Sculpture Project; and

WHEREAS,

The Legends of the Grand Valley Sculpture Project annually will commemorate another key local figure by erecting a sculpture depicting that man or woman; and

WHEREAS,

these sculptures will be held in public trust as part of downtown Grand Junction's Art on the Corner; and

WHEREAS,

the fourth of these sculptures, honoring John Otto, tireless trail builder and advocate, who lobbied to establish the Colorado National Monument in 1911, is being installed in downtown Grand Junction on the 7th day of October, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tom Kenyon, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim Friday, October 7, 2011 as

"LEGENDS OF THE GRAND VALLEY DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction, and encourage the entire community to support The Legends Sculpture Project in its efforts to both preserve the history and add to the beauty of our City.

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, 2011.

Mayor