

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *Lonnie Milton Hall was born in Bluff City, Arkansas on August 19, 1919 to Robert Jenkins Hall and Hattie Hall. He had an older brother that died in child birth and three older sisters, Bonnie, Ardis and Myrtice, all of which have passed away; and*

WHEREAS, *while serving in the U. S. Merchant Marines as a radio officer in WWII, Lonnie married the former Agnes Johnston of Malone, New York in Bradley Gardens, New Jersey. Lonnie and Agnes had two sons, Robert William and Lonnie Milton II; and*

WHEREAS, *after WWII, Lonnie began work as a Corrections Officer at the Annandale Boy's Reformatory (as it was called then). He worked there until he retired in 1976. He and Agnes then relocated to Cale, Arkansas, the town which Lonnie spent most of his boyhood years; and*

WHEREAS, *after Agnes' death in 1991, Lonnie eventually met his former high school sweetheart, Thelma Hill of Grand Junction, Colorado, while she was on a visit in Arkansas. Lonnie moved to Grand Junction in 1994 where he and Thelma reside; and*

WHEREAS, *Lonnie has seven grand children, nine great-grand children, and one (soon two) great - great grandchildren; and*

WHEREAS, *Lonnie turns ninety years young today and I am honored to have been invited to celebrate this occasion with him.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim this day August 19, 2009 as

"LONNIE MILTON HALL DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction, and wish him a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY and wish him well in his celebration with his family and friends.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 19th day of August, 2009.

Mayor