

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Margaret Mullen was born on October 28, 1908 to an Irish Father and a German Mother in Atchison, Kansas. Margaret was the oldest of seven children and has outlived all of her siblings; and

WHEREAS, Margaret married John Mullen shortly after graduating from nursing school in 1929. John was a telephone company engineer working in Missouri and Indiana; moving often to where he was needed and Margaret was able to work as a rural nurse and midwife. Together they had three children, John Kile, Mary Sue, and Dorothy, all born in Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Margaret and John bought a farm and moved the family to Rocky Ford where they raised hay, onions, cantaloupe, zinnias, dairy cows, sheep, and a snake in the outhouse;

WHEREAS, Margaret's vast experience as a registered nurse is most notable from being awarded in 1960 as District Nurse of the Year in Rocky Ford, nurse of the Year in 1982 in Grand Junction, and in 2002 Margaret was honored with the Nightingale Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, Margaret is always very social; she entertained, took art lessons, traveled, played bridge often, and kept beautiful gardens that won many awards at local fairs for her floral exhibits; and

WHEREAS, Margaret turns one hundred years young today and I am honored to have been invited to celebrate this occasion with her.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gregg Palmer, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim this day October 28, 2008 as

"MARGARET MULLEN DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction, and wish her a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY and wish her well in her celebration with her 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 28th day of October, 2008.

Mayor