PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Today Mesa County Libraries honor Children's Librarian Maxine Curley and her 34 years of service dedicated to the librarian profession; and
- WHEREAS, Mesa County school children covet and remember their first trips to the Central Library to see a puppet show or hear a story time by their favorite librarian; and
- WHEREAS, A local librarian forged community partnerships to include the Young Moms Program, Strong Families-Safe Kids and Grand Junction Parks and Recreation to bring about the joy of reading for all; and
- WHEREAS, In 2005 the Head of Children's Services became the recipient of the Bill Tackett Memorial Award that depicted the importance of how a librarian can make a difference as a senior partner with Mesa County Partners; and
- WHEREAS, One librarian can inspire Mesa County young children to explore and discover, even during summer months, setting them on course to enjoy a lifetime of reading and learning; and
- WHEREAS, Discerning young mothers compare other children's librarians, nationwide, to the Mesa County Head of Children Services librarian; and
- WHEREAS, In November 2008 The Colorado Association of Libraries presented the first-ever award for a Children Services Librarian of the year; and
- WHEREAS, The Head of Children's Service librarian, Maxine Curley, has served three generations of children in this community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gregg Palmer, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim this day February 25, 2009 as

"MAXINE CURLEY DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction, and wish her a very HAPPY RETIREMENT and wish her all the best.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 25th day of February, 2009.