

**PROCLAMATION**

***WHEREAS, the Partnership for Children and Families along with other local organizations in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating April as the Month of the Young Child; and***

***WHEREAS, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities, which are crucial to the growth and development of young children and to building better futures for everyone in this Community; and***

***WHEREAS, all young children and their families across the country, in Mesa County and the City of Grand Junction, deserve access to high-quality early education and care; and***

***WHEREAS, in recognizing and supporting the people, programs and policies that are committed to high-quality early childhood education as the right choice for children.***

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2010 as***

***“MONTH OF THE YOUNG CHILD”***

***in the City of Grand Junction and urge all citizens to recognize and support the needs of young children in our community and work toward high-quality early childhood education for all children.***

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 2010.***

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***Mayor***