

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *In helping those who are suffering from disease or other maladies we become part of a national army of caregivers; and*

WHEREAS, *Hospice programs provide options for those with terminal illnesses to be cared for as they desire in their final days, in comfortable surroundings, often in their own homes, comforting and being comforted by their friends and families; and*

WHEREAS, *Our staff of nurses, counselors, volunteers and others who provide hospice care here in Grand Junction and the surrounding area, as well as hospice providers throughout the entire country bring comfort to those people who need it most day after day; and*

WHEREAS, *By dedicating ourselves to the care of people nearing the end of life, we honor all hospice providers and recognize the courage and strength of terminally ill patients and their families; and*

WHEREAS, *America has the best health care in the world and is a leader in human rights, by taking time to care for others, the compassion reflected in hospice care is making America, and more specifically Grand Junction, Colorado a better place to live.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim November, 2005 as

“NATIONAL HOSPICE MONTH”

in the City of Grand Junction and encourage the citizens of our City and State to join with us in recognizing all health care professionals and volunteers for their contributions in helping those who are facing terminal illness receive quality and compassionate care.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 16th day of November, 2005.

Mayor