



Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for over 100 years, the Olympic movement has built a more peaceful and better world by educating young people through amateur athletics, by bringing together athletes from many countries in friendly competition, and by forging new relationships bound by friendship, solidarity, and fair play; and

WHEREAS, the United States Olympic Committee is dedicated to coordinating and developing amateur athletic activity in the United States to foster productive working relationships among sports-related organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction promotes and supports amateur athletic activities involving Olympic and Paralympic sport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction promotes and encourages physical fitness and public participation in amateur athletic activities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Junction assists organizations and persons concerned with sports in the development of athletic programs for able-bodied and disabled athletes regardless of age, race, or gender; and

WHEREAS, June 23 is the anniversary of the founding of the modern Olympic movement, representing the date on which the Congress of Paris approved the proposal of Pierre de Coubertin to found the modern Olympics.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Pitts, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim with much appreciation and admiration, June 23, 2012, as

"OLYMPIC DAY"

in the City of Grand Junction and urge all citizens to observe such anniversary with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 20th day of June 2012.

Mayor

