

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS,** *the Salvation Army has faithfully and honorably served Grand Junction residents since 1908, touching and changing the lives of hundreds of citizens through a broad base of programs to promote self-sufficiency, and build character and self-esteem; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the Salvation Army has faithfully and honorably served the world since 1865 and is now at work in 111 countries battling poverty, hunger, disease, abuse, loneliness and other enemies of mankind, restoring hope to countless men, women, and children who have no where else to turn; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the City of Grand Junction appreciates all the programs of the Salvation Army including providing shelter to homeless individuals and families, providing treatment and prevention activities for the homeless and informal life skills training; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the City of Grand Junction is committed to recognizing and honoring organizations that are dedicated to the best ideals of public service, and the Salvation Army is one such caring and worthy organization; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Majors Alfred and Stella Parker have served the Grand Junction community in numerous ways and have seen to it that thousands of families received food, supplies, toys and gifts at Christmas, have been instrumental in sending countless children to summer camp and have delivered Thanksgiving Dinner to many of the elderly, shut-ins and helpless. They have been a blessing to this community and will be sorely missed.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Hill, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of May 12 – 19, 2009 as**

**“SALVATION ARMY WEEK”**

**in the City of Grand Junction and commend the Salvation Army, and especially Majors Alfred and Stella Parker, for outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the people of Grand Junction.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009.**

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**Mayor**