



Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Tilman M. "Tillie" Bishop was born and raised in Colorado Springs and graduated from the University of Northern Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Tillie is a dedicated public servant who has served the citizens of this State for many years and in several capacities. He served in the Colorado House of Representatives for four years and in the State Senate for 24 years. Tillie was the longest serving State Senator from the western slope. After serving in the Colorado legislature, he returned to Mesa County to serve as County Commissioner for four years and now serves on the University of Colorado Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Tillie served the citizens of Grand Junction as early as 1967 when he served on the Citizen Committee on Law and Order. Since then, he has served on the Joint Utilization Commission, the Legends Historic Sculpture Committee, the City's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the Grand Junction Visitor and Convention Bureau, the Parks Improvement Advisory Board as well as the Stadium Committee, and worked for many years with the Riverfront Commission; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Bishop's dedication, outstanding service and leadership, he has received numerous honors and awards including the Wayne N. Aspinall Award, also known as the "Water Buffalo" award, from the Colorado Water Congress in 2009. In recognition of his legacy, the Western Colorado Community College campus and the Colorado Wildlife Refuge on the Colorado River in Palisade, Colo., were named in his honor.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tom Kenyon, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2011 as

"TILLIE BISHOP DAY"

in the City 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 13th day of June, 2011.

Mayor

