

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

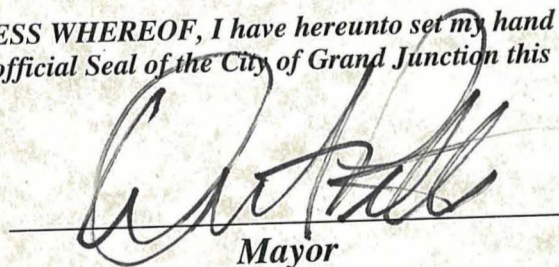
- WHEREAS,** *on February 19, 1913, Reverend K.G. William Dahl and fifty-four charter members founded the Bethphage Inner Mission Association to establish a place outside of Axtell, Nebraska as a Christian community for people with disabilities; and*
- WHEREAS,** *on October 20, 1925, Reverends Julius Moehl, August Hoeger, and William Fruehling, and laymen John Aden and William Ehmen proposed turning the deserted Martin Luther Academy in Sterling, Nebraska into a school for children with disabilities forming the Martin Luther Home Society; and*
- WHEREAS,** *their shared mission, vision, and Church affiliation prompted the two organizations' Boards of Directors to merge the two ministries to become Mosaic, a move that became complete July 1, 2003; and*
- WHEREAS,** *to recognize the dedication and vital role of Mosaic in enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities in the United States and beyond, for a century and many years to come; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the day of February 19, 2013, has been designated as "Mosaic Day" in order to celebrate and recognize the 100 year anniversary of the mission to create a life of possibilities for people with intellectual disabilities.*

NOW, THEREFORE, Bill Pitts, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, does hereby proclaim February 19, 2013 as

" MOSAIC DAY "

in the City of Grand Junction, and call upon the citizens of Grand Junction to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities. Furthermore, I encourage the citizens of Colorado to seek information from Mosaic in matters concerning a life of possibilities for people with intellectual disabilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 6th day of February, 2013.


Mayor

