

RESOLUTION NO. 51-17

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION DESIGNATING APRIL 23RD
THROUGH 29TH, 2017 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

- WHEREAS, April 23rd through April 29th is designated as National Volunteer Week to celebrate ordinary people doing extraordinary things to improve communities across the nation; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs benefits from thousands of citizen volunteers who support a wide variety of Departments including the Colorado Springs Airport; Police Department; Water Resources Engineering Division; and the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department; and
- WHEREAS, in 2016 the Colorado Springs Airport had over 50 volunteers contribute nearly 4,500 hours of service to the community; and
- WHEREAS, in the Police Department's Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS) program, 530 volunteers provided over 70,000 hours of civic engagement to advance public safety; and
- WHEREAS, in the Water Resources Engineering Division, 1,200 volunteers contributed 3,591 hours and removed over 10 tons of litter from our community's waterways to improve water quality and beautify our neighborhoods; and
- WHEREAS, in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, over 3,800 volunteers contributed more than 150,206 hours of service to the community; and
- WHEREAS, this level of effort, calculated at the current national value of volunteerism rate of \$25.96 per hour, equaled over \$6.8 million dollars in service to the community in 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

That City Council designates April 23rd through 29th as National Volunteer Week and urges our citizens to volunteer. In addition, City Council asks everyone to recognize, support and commend those who already volunteer and help make our community an amazing place to live, work and play.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this 25th day of April, 2017.

ATTEST:


Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk




Council President