

A RESOLUTION RENAMING MESA WATER TREATMENT PLANT IN HONOR OF PHILLIP H. TOLLEFSON AS THE “PHILLIP H. TOLLEFSON WATER TREATMENT PLANT”

WHEREAS, Phillip H. Tollefson joined City of Colorado Springs Utilities Department in 1982 as Manager of Water Resources and Planning and was appointed by the City Manager to be Director of the City Utilities Department in 1992; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, by appointment of City Council, Mr. Tollefson became the first Chief Executive Officer of the newly named Colorado Springs Utilities, an enterprise of the City of Colorado Springs, and served in that capacity until he retired in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tollefson spent 13 years as Chief Executive Officer of Colorado Springs Utilities, providing safe, cost effective and reliable water, wastewater, gas and electric service to several hundred thousand customers; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Tollefson was the architect of a new brand and identity for Colorado Springs Utilities, including the ever-present motto, “Colorado Springs Utilities – It’s How We’re All Connected”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tollefson oversaw the planning and implementation of the 1996 Water Resources Plan, which called for water conservation, improved system efficiency, and construction of “a” Southern Delivery System; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tollefson worked closely with City Council in the early 2000s during a historic drought to begin the regional diplomacy and permitting process that led to the successful construction and operation of the Southern Delivery System in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tollefson retired from Colorado Springs Utilities in 2005 after more than 34 years of experience in the utilities industry in both the public and private sectors.

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

Section 1. That the Mesa Water Treatment Plant is hereby renamed in honor of Phillip H. Tollefson as the “Phillip H. Tollefson Water Treatment Plant” in recognition and appreciation for his commitment to the provision of safe, cost-effective and reliable water,

wastewater, gas and electric services to our citizen owners and, in particular, his commitment to ensuring that our community would have water for generations to come.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this _____ day of _____, 2018.

ATTEST:

Council President

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk