RESOLUTION NO. 81 - 22

A RESOLUTION IN REMEMBRANCE OF JUNE 26, 2022, AS THE 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE WALDO CANYON FIRE

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2012, the Waldo Canyon Fire started in the Pike National Forest southwest of Colorado Springs, Colorado. On June 26th, it spread into the Mountain Shadows neighborhood of the west side of the city; and

WHEREAS, the fire would grow to over 18,000 acres and cause the evacuation of more than 32,000 residents. The fire was contained on July 10, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the fire caused the destruction of 347 homes and hundreds more were damaged, in addition to the complete destruction of the historic Flying W Ranch. This amounted to more than \$500 million dollars in damages; and

WHEREAS, we honor the two members of the community who lost their lives in the fire, William and Barbara Everett; and

WHEREAS, the Waldo Canyon Fire resulted in setting the standard in creating a community recovery program, Colorado Springs Together. Over 100 homes were in the process of being rebuilt within one year of the fire; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Shadows Community pulled together, creating the slogan, "Community Doesn't Burn"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs will forever remember the impact of this tragic event and the strength and resiliency that the community showed in coming together in the aftermath.

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

Section 1. City Council honors June 26, 2022 as the 10 year anniversary of the Waldo Canyon Fire.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 14th day of June, 2022.

Council President

