RESOLUTION NO. ____-15

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR VAL SNIDER FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF COLORADO SPRINGS AND THE PIKES PEAK REGION

WHEREAS,	in April 2011, Val Snider was elected to an at-large seat on City Council to serve a four-year term; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider earned his bachelor's degree in criminology and physical education from Murray State University in Kentucky, and his MBA from the University of South Dakota; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider brought in-depth knowledge of the City's inner workings by previously serving as an active member of the 2005 City Charter Review Commission, the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments' Citizens Advisory Committee, as chair of the Colorado Springs Streetcar Task Force; and as a long-time member of the City's Planning Commission; and
WHEREAS,	as the chair of the Colorado Springs Oil and Gas Committee, Val Snider helped to draft oil and gas regulations for Colorado Springs; and
WHEREAS,	in his capacity as a Councilmember, Val Snider demonstrated a true passion and dedication to the residents of Colorado Springs by being an instrumental part of the Waldo Canyon Fire Regional Recovery Team — which successfully garnered Federal Emergency Watershed Protection funds to address funds needed for Colorado cities affected by wildfires; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider served as vice chair of the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider was a leading voice on the region's Stormwater Task Force and the Martin Drake Power Plant Task Force, promoting involvement and transparency throughout the processes; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider served as a board member for the Colorado Springs Utilities Board; and served on the Utilities Board Strategic Planning Committee, which helped set direction for the organization, evaluate and recommend the organization's mission, vision, values and the annual and long-term strategic plans; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider helped oversee the Southern Delivery System — one of the largest water infrastructure projects underway in the Western United States which began construction in 2013, and that is ahead of schedule and \$150 million below the original budget; and
WHEREAS,	as a member of the Utilities Policy Advisory Committee, Val Snider, with thorough analysis and public input, completed the 2020 Energy Vision, a key energy planning study; and
WHEREAS,	Val Snider initiated strategic resource planning for future energy and water supplies through the Electric Integrated Resource and Integrated Water Resource Plans.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:	
That we gratefully acknowledge and thank Councilmember Val Snider for his years of dedicated service and commitment to the citizens of Colorado Springs and for his compassion and vision to make Colorado Springs a better City.	
Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this 14 th day of April 2015.	
	Keith King, President
ATTEST:	

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk