RESOLUTION NO. ____ - 19

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION DESIGNATING APRIL 7TH THROUGH 13TH, 2019 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

WHEREAS, April 7th through April 13th 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 programs including the Colorado Springs Airport Ambassadors Program; the Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS); the many programs offered through the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department; and the Adopt-A-Waterway Program including Creek Week; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the Colorado Springs Airport had over 51 volunteers contribute nearly 3,800 hours of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, in Public Safety's Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS), 450 volunteers provided 71,700 hours of civic engagement to advance public safety; and

WHEREAS, in the Water Resources Engineering Division waterways programs, 2,428 volunteers contributed 4,856 hours and removed over 35 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 13,000 volunteers contributed more than 115,000 hours of service to the community; and

WHEREAS, this level of effort, calculated at the latest state volunteerism rate of \$26.78 per hour, equaled over \$5.2 million dollars in service to the community in 2018.

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

Section 1. That City of Colorado Springs designates April 7th through 13th 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 9th day of April, 2019.

	Council President	
ATTEST:		
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk		