## In Honor of 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL "CREEK WEEK" September 26<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup> 2020

- WHEREAS, Colorado Springs is fortunate to have extensive and diverse natural resources, such as forests, grasslands, riparian areas, lakes, creeks and a wide variety of open spaces; and
- WHEREAS, the Fountain Creek watershed is unique and an important resource and asset to the residents and visitors of Fountain and the Pikes Peak Region; and
- WHEREAS, the Fountain Creek Watershed Flood Control and Greenway District is partnering with Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs Utilities, El Paso County, Pueblo County, the Cities of Manitou Springs, Fountain, and towns of Monument and Green Mountain Falls, along with numerous community organizations to coordinate the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "Creek Week" cleanup, encouraging the protection, restoration and maintenance of the Fountain Creek watershed; and
- WHEREAS, this 9-day litter clean-up effort kicks off in Fountain Creek Regional Park on September 26th and runs through October 4th, 2020 throughout the watershed; and
- WHEREAS, "Creek Week" programs and activities are designed to raise awareness about littering within our watershed, to encourage organizations and individuals to collect litter and debris to making the watershed cleaner and safer; and
- WHEREAS, businesses, churches, schools, non-profits, neighborhood associations, youth groups, service clubs and individuals are encouraged to form a "Creek Crew" to clean up at a "Creek Week" project site; and
- WHEREAS, "Creek Week" litter removal activities will reduce pollution in our creeks, clogs in our waterways, flooding, provide for a safer drinking water supply, and enhance wildlife habitat and property values.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Richard Skorman, President of the Colorado Springs City Council, do hereby proclaim September 26<sup>th</sup> - October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as

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in Colorado Springs and encourage our citizens to help protect, restore and maintain our waterways by participating in "Creek Week" activities.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Colorado Springs to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Spetember, 2020

Richard Skorman, President Colorado Springs City Council