RESOLUTION NO. 119-21

A RESOLUTION WELCOMING THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS WESTERN STATES REGION CONFERENCE TO THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS ON SEPTEMBER 9TH TO 12TH, 2021

WHEREAS, the General Federation of Women's Clubs is an international women's organization, founded in 1890, dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, professional New York Journalist Jane Cunningham Croly, formed the first woman's club in 1868 in response to being denied the opportunity to attend a dinner honoring novelist Charles Dickens, simply because she was a woman. Croly countered with the power of unity and the result was a national organization of women's clubs, whose impact has been felt throughout communities across the United States, globally and locally by The Woman's Club of Colorado Springs which was founded in 1902; and

WHEREAS, women's clubs from Alaska, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming will gather in downtown Colorado Springs September 9th to 12th, 2021 for the Western States Region Conference; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs is honored to welcome GFWC International President Marian St. Clair and GFWC President-elect Deb Strahanoski.

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

Section 1. That City Council hereby welcomes the General Federation of

Women's Clubs Western States Region Conference to the City of Colorado Springs and

thanks them for choosing our great city to host.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 24th day of August 2021.

Council President

