RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 17, 2021 AS CONSTITUTION DAY AND CITIZENSHIP DAY

WHEREAS, on September 17, 1787, the Founding Fathers signed the U.S. Constitution. For the past 234 years, the Constitution has served as the supreme law of the land; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution, along with the Bill of Rights and other amendments, define our government and guarantee our rights. Our Constitution remains the bedrock of our system of government, one rooted in equality under the law and an unyielding commitment to individual liberty; and

WHEREAS, it is of the greatest importance that the citizens fully understand the provisions and principles contained in the Constitution in order to support it, preserve it and defend it against encroachment; and

WHEREAS, each year on Citizenship Day, we welcome our country's newest citizens and reaffirm our proud legacy as a Nation of immigrants. In wave after wave through the centuries, people from every corner of the globe have come to our shores in pursuit of happiness and a better life for themselves and their families. In their home countries, our Constitution has stood out as an emblem of equality and representation for all; and

WHEREAS, on this day, we celebrate our great founding charter as an enduring beacon of freedom and strive toward active citizenship in service of its ideals.

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

Section 1. That City Council hereby recognizes September 17, 2021 as Constitution Day and Citizenship Day encourages members of the public to conduct ceremonies and programs that bring together community members to reflect on the importance of active citizenship, recognize the enduring strength of our Constitution, and reaffirm our commitment to the rights and obligations of citizenship in this great Nation.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 14th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

Council President

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk