

RESOLUTION NO. 25-280

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR PATRICK GENTILE

WHEREAS, the City has benefitted greatly from the dedicated service of Patrick Gentile, Golf Course Superintendent, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, for the past 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the city golf courses, Patty Jewett and Valley Hi, have significantly benefitted from the dedicated service of Patrick Gentile. He has held multiple roles, including Golf Superintendent at Patty Jewett, Golf Superintendent overseeing both Patty Jewett and Valley Hi, and Golf Division Manager responsible for the management and operations of both courses. His responsibilities encompass daily operations, finances, golf course facilities, restaurant and pro shop concessions, agronomic programs, and capital projects; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Gentile is a proud native of Colorado Springs and has been a certified Golf Course Superintendent for 23 years with the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA). Currently, there are 1,014 active certified superintendents, which represent 20% of the members eligible for certification. According to the GCSAA, the Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) designation is awarded to those who demonstrate a high level of knowledge in their profession through a rigorous test and ongoing education. This designation is the most widely recognized in the golf industry and the highest honor that can be achieved by golf course superintendents; and

WHEREAS, Patrick has been invited to participate in multiple national committees and served on the board of directors for the Rocky Mountain Golf Course Superintendent Association. He currently acts as a trustee for the Rocky Mountain Environmental Golf Institute; and

WHEREAS, his leadership style has fostered the development of an effective golf management team. By efficiently managing resources such as water, energy, and labor, he has reduced operational costs and promoted sustainability. Implementing water-saving techniques, using energy-efficient equipment, and effectively scheduling staff have all contributed to improved resource management; and

WHEREAS, Patrick is committed to thinking outside the box to ensure the sustainability of the city courses. He has successfully managed capital projects that have enhanced

the golf course buildings and parking lots, while also addressing playable features and irrigation systems. These latter improvements will provide higher quality turf while reducing water costs, allowing the courses to thrive well into the future; and

WHEREAS, his knowledge and experience also contributed to making the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department an excellent organization with the department receiving national accreditation through the Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) in 2020 and has supported the ongoing reaccreditation effort in 2025; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate his dedication, commitment, leadership, mentorship, and stewardship of the Golf Enterprise Division throughout his years of service to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes him happiness and success in all his future ventures.

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

Section 1. That City Council recognizes Patrick Gentile for his 30 years of service, leadership, and contributions to the City of Colorado Springs.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 24th day of June, 2025

Lynette Crow-Iverson, Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk