

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 23

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JULY 4, 2023 AS  
INDEPENDENCE DAY

WHEREAS, on July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress adopted a resolution that declared that thirteen American colonies were free and independent states. Two days later, on the Fourth of July, the Congress adopted a Declaration of Independence which proclaimed to the world the birth of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence states “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness,”; and

WHEREAS, in 1870, Congress officially recognized Independence Day as a Federal holiday and family and friends gather annually to celebrate; and

WHEREAS, on Independence Day, it is important to honor the men and women in United States Armed Forces that protect our Nation’s independence; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs has one of the best Independence Day celebrations in America with its Star Spangled Symphony and Fourth of July Fireworks event where people across the Pikes Peak Region can enjoy a performance from the Colorado Springs Philharmonic on the radio while watching fireworks from 10+ community displays. Additionally, the Colorado Springs Philharmonic will host a free concert and at the Pikes Peak Center in downtown Colorado Springs.

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

Section 1. July 4, 2023 is recognized by the City Council as Independence Day and all community members are asked to join us in celebrating the founding of Nation.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

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Council President

ATTEST:

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Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk