

Proclamation

RICHARD STRACHAN DAY

Whereas; Richard Strachan, a long-time citizen of the Town of Berthoud, has faithfully served this town for many years; and,

Whereas; while a citizen, he served on the Recreation Committee and Swimming Pool Committee, and was instrumental in building a swimming pool in Berthoud Park in 1974; and,

Whereas; he served as Trustee from 1974 to 1976, and later from 1986 to 1988 and from 2000 to 2002, for a total of six years; and

Whereas; Mr. Strachan served as mayor from 1976 to 1984 and from 1988 to 2000 for a total of 20 years, a length of service that is twice as long as any other Mayor of Berthoud; and,

Whereas; during his 26 years of service on the Board of Trustees, he was an active member of regional commissions, including the Regional Wastewater Treatment Board and the Metropolitan Planning Organization; and,

Whereas; he also served in town on the Planning and Zoning Commission as well as all the standing committees of the Board of Trustees; and,

Whereas; he was a key player in getting Berthoud's native water rights on the Big Thompson recognized by the Colorado Supreme Court as the highest priority water rights on that river; and,

Whereas; many developments started or continued during his tenure of service, including Hillsdale, Mary's Farm, Fickel Farm, Keep Circle, Berthoud Heights East, and Berthoud Village; and,

Whereas; Berthoud's first development code was approved during his tenure on the Town Board; and,

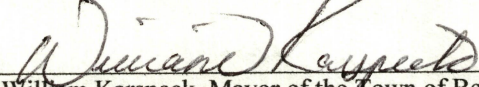
Whereas; the Berthoud Tree Board and the first Parks and Open Space Board were established during his tenure; and,

Whereas; he shares his vast knowledge of the town freely with all citizens, especially new trustees; and

Whereas; he steered the course of Berthoud with an even hand during his service on the Board of Trustees and has earned the respect of the community; and,

Whereas; all living mayors of Berthoud, current and former, have agreed to convene in Fickel Park on September 28, 2019 at 11:00 AM to honor him; and,

Now therefore I, William Karspeck, Mayor of the Town of Berthoud, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 28, 2019 to be Richard Strachan Day in the Town of Berthoud, and I encourage all citizens, friends, and former colleagues to acknowledge Richard Strachan's many contributions to this town, and to join him on September 28th to celebrate and to honor his contributions to the Berthoud community. Signed this 24th day of September 2019.


William Karspeck, Mayor of the Town of Berthoud

