

**GRAND COUNTY, UTAH**  
**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (2022)**

**REPEALING RESOLUTION 3146 (2018) AND APPROVING THE RESPECT OUR  
NEIGHBORS' RIGHTS  
AND THE RULE OF LAW REGARDING USE OF FIREWORKS  
ON AND AROUND THE 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION**

**WHEREAS**, current and forecasted prolonged drought, coupled with extremely dry vegetation throughout southeastern Utah, have created hazardous fire conditions demanding extreme caution;

**WHEREAS**, Bureau of Land Management, United States Forest Service, National Park Service, State of Utah, and unincorporated private lands in Grand County and surrounding counties are under fire restrictions with prohibited acts of discharging or using any kind of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices including exploding targets;

**WHEREAS**, the 4th of July celebrates the founding of America, a nation bound by the rule of law and respect for society;

**WHEREAS**, in past years illegal fireworks have been discharged without respect to laws and without regard for other citizens' rights, safety, and welfare;

**WHEREAS**, ignited fireworks are known to be a cause of wildfire;

**WHEREAS**, the County and State continue to experience hazardous environmental conditions in the form of an extreme drought;

**WHEREAS**, due to the drought and low water supply the risk of fire is substantial and the destruction caused by a fire could also be substantial;

**WHEREAS**, recent fire events show the devastating result to Grand County citizens of fire hazard;

**WHEREAS**, minimizing the threat of wildfire in Grand County is critical to maintaining public health, safety, welfare and economic well-being for Grand County citizens;

**WHEREAS**, Grand County sponsors a public fireworks show to celebrate the Fourth of July and encourages the public to leave fireworks to the professionals;

**WHEREAS**, the County works in unison with the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Office to plan the fireworks show to ensure safety measures are in place;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission encourages the Sheriff and the County Attorney to cite and fine violators; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission finds it is in the best interest of the County and the general health, safety, and welfare of the public that this Resolution be passed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Grand County Commission that it does hereby respectfully implore the citizens to respect our neighbors' rights and the rule of law, regarding discharging, or using any kind of fireworks on public or unincorporated private lands, or use of legal or illegal fireworks on and around the 4th of July celebration.

**ADOPTED** by the Grand County Commission in open session of a public meeting this 21st day of June 2022 by the following vote:

*Those voting aye:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Those voting nay:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Those absent:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Grand County Commission**

**ATTEST:**

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Jacques Hadler, Chair

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Gabriel Woytek, Clerk/Auditor