RESOLUTION NO. 2024-15R

A RESOLUTION OF IVINS CITY, UTAH, APPOINTING JENNY (JOHNSON) CHRISTIANSEN AS THE 2024 HERITAGE DAYS PARADE GRAND MARSHAL

WHEREAS, Jenny (Johnson) Christiansen is a lifelong resident of Ivins having been born and raised here and choosing to raise her own family of five girls here as well, and

WHEREAS, Jenny has served the Ivins community and it's residents in a variety of ways over most of her adult life. She has involved herself as a willing and devoted volunteer in many capacities, as a member and sometimes leader of various local committees and societies and as an elected Ivins City Councilmember, and

WHEREAS, Jenny served as a volunteer firefighter with the Ivins Fire Department for over twenty five years. During that time she became Ivins' first female certified firefighter, and in 1999 she became our first female Fire Captain. Jenny later became a certified EMT and served as a volunteer firefighter inspector and fire instructor donating her time in both of those capacities. Jenny helped to start a fire safety awareness program and launched an annual Fire Station Open House for the community which she remained a part of for more than twenty years, and

WHEREAS, Jenny been a member of the Ivins Heritage Days Committee since its inception devoting countless hours in planning and participating in the event. She has lovingly overseen the rambunctious children's games on Saturday during the celebration. It's a perennial favorite event of both children and parents for its fun and prizes. For the last three years she has also served as the creator and director of the Ivins Heritage Days Mini Miss Pageant, and Jenny, as a former Miss Ivins herself, has always been a supporter of the Miss Ivins Scholarship Pageant held each spring. She also previously served as the Parade Coordinator for Ivins' annual 24th of July celebration, and

WHEREAS, Jenny has also been a member of the Ivins Historical Society since it was organized. She loves continuing to learn and share her knowledge of the inspiring history of Ivins, and

WHEREAS, around Halloween Jenny spearheaded a family run haunted house in Ivins for 12 Years open to everyone free of charge. It was so well done that the Ivins City Parks and Recreation Department asked her to move it from her home to a pavilion in Ivins City Heritage Park for the last few years. Her spirit of community service also found its way into Red Mountain Elementary where she has conducted field trips for their 4th and 5th graders and volunteered as a teacher's aide and a lunch room helper for a number of years, and

WHEREAS, many of Jenny's neighbors and friends recognize her for her devoted service in her local church where among other things she has taught many youth groups including Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts her knowledge in fire safety, knot tying, and first aid. She has also volunteered her time as a medic at a number of church sponsored girls' camps, and

WHEREAS, Jenny served on the Ivins City Council for eight years during which time she was engaged in several important issues including the merger of Fire and EMS services with Santa Clara, the affordability of housing, the creation of Fire Lake Park and many others in which she took a deep interest and to which she devoted much of her time, and

WHEREAS, Jenny (Johnson) Christiansen is a model of community service in all of its forms, service that emanates from her deep love of Ivins and its residents over an entire lifetime that she has expressed through incalculable hours of time and unceasing effort devoted to making Ivins a better place.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF IVINS CITY, STATE OF UTAH, AS FOLLOWS:

> **Jenny (Johnson) Christiansen is appointed the 2024 Heritage Days Parade Grand Marshal in appreciation of her contributions and service to Ivins City.**

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE IVINS CITY COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, ON THIS ___ DAY OF AUGUST, 2024 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

	AYE	**NAY**	**ABSTAIN**	**ABSENT**
Lance Anderson	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mike Scott	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sharon Barton	_____	_____	_____	_____
Kevin Smith	_____	_____	_____	_____
Sharon Gillespie	_____	_____	_____	_____

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Chris Hart, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kari D. Jimenez
City Recorder