

***Proclamation Congratulating the Nederland Volunteer Fire Department on their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***

**WHEREAS** the Nederland Volunteer Fire Department was founded 100 years ago on May 12, 1913 by charter of the Town of Nederland as a volunteer force dedicated to providing the community with consistent fire protection services; and

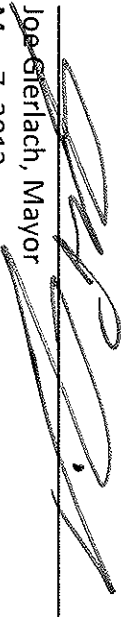
**WHEREAS** the Nederland Volunteer Fire Department works in conjunction with other Fire Protection districts to aggressively contain fires, secure lives and property and reduce threats to the surrounding community, as well as providing information in the event of emergencies; and

**WHEREAS** the Nederland Volunteer Fire Department serves the whole community by providing Fire Protection, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) over a total of 56 square miles including the Town of Nederland, the town site of Eldora, the Eldora Ski Area and a vast expanse of public lands; and

**WHEREAS** the Nederland Volunteer Fire Department was funded by the Town of Nederland until 1990, but subsequently reformed as the Nederland Fire District to accurately reflect the population it serves, which include calls outside the town limits, and is staffed with a combination of volunteer and career staff;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOE GIERLACH, MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF NEDERLAND**, do hereby proclaim congratulations, thanks and gratitude to the Nederland Volunteer Fire Department (Nederland Fire District) for their superior Fire protection, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services these 100 years.

**I FURTHER** call upon the residents of the Town of Nederland to join me in this declaration of congratulations and recognition for this long-standing dedication within our community.

  
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Joe Gierlach, Mayor  
May 7, 2013