City of Colorado Springs PROCLAMATION

FOUNDING DAY OF THE COLORADO SPRINGS CHINESE CULTURAL INSTITUTE

FEBRUARY 3, 2001

WHEREAS, The Colorado Springs Chinese Cultural Institute has been formed to provide a forum for greater appreciation of Chinese culture through education and social interaction and offer resources and networking to more fully integrate Chinese into the local community; and

WHEREAS, many of our citizens of Chinese ancestry and many others not of Chinese heritage will benefit from the friendship and people-to-people programs offered by the Chinese Cultural Institute; and

WHEREAS, the "global village" is becoming smaller in scale but larger in importance in all of our lives and it is crucial for all peoples to strive to better understand one another's culture; and

WHEREAS, the Chinese New Year celebration is the first event sponsored by the Colorado Springs Chinese Cultural Institute to further these goals and for the enjoyment of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the ties of friendship and trade among the people of Chinese heritage and those of the United States must continue to grow and be strengthened;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mary Lou Makepeace, Mayor of the City of Colorado Springs, do hereby proclaim February 3, 2001 as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Colorado Springs to be affixed this 26th day of January 2001.

Mary Lou Makepeace

Mayor, City of Colorado Springs