

TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Fremont, State of Colorado, met in Regular Session on December 9th, 2025, 615 Macon Avenue, Room LL3, Fremont County Administration Building, Cañon City, Colorado. Chair Pro Tem Bell called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Kevin Grantham	Commissioner	Absent
Debbie Bell	Commissioner	Present
Dwayne McFall	Commissioner	Present
Justin Grantham	Clerk and Recorder	Present
Sean Biddle	Assistant County Attorney	Present
Shawn Sutton	Assistant County Administrator	Present

INVOCATION

Todd Luce from Grandview Christian Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes: None.
2. Approval of Bills for \$1,660,344.04
3. Schedule Public Hearing: None.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Bell, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

ADMINISTRATIVE & INFORMATIONAL

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1. Staff / Elected Officials:

- a. Assistant County Administrator Report, Shawn Sutton

Assistant County Administrator Sutton gave the County Administrator Report, which can be found in its entirety at www.fremontcountyco.gov.

Assistant County Attorney Biddle introduced himself and explained that he mainly handles Department of Human Services matters. He has practiced law for over 20 years and has been doing this specific type of work for two years. He attended the University of Denver and Colorado School of Mines earning several degrees, he said he is a native of the area stretching back to his father being a criminal defense attorney for local citizens.

2. Citizens who wish to address the Commissioners on a matter not scheduled on the agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Ref. Fremont County BOCC Meeting 12/09/2025 14:08

1. 2025 Fremont County Employee of The Year

Commissioner Bell started off by saying all nominees come from coworkers that submitted a letter to the elected officials on who and why they would like to nominate someone for the award.

Commissioner Bell and Commissioner McFall then took turns reading the nominee letters which can be found at the bottom of these minutes.

Commissioner Bell then announced the Fremont County 2025 Employee of the year was Althea Butler for her consistent hard work.

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2. Proclamation Honoring Jim Nelson
Representative: Betsy Denney, Fremont County Heritage Commission

Ms. Denney approached the board with excitement to read the proclamation honoring Jim Nelson, it can be found in its entirety at the bottom of these minutes.

Commissioner Bell thanked Ms. Denney for attending the meeting and said she was proud to honor Jim Nelson.

Commissioner McFall also expressed gratitude, as well as reminding the audience that he was the one who created the self-tour guides for Fremont County.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the proclamation honoring Jim Nelson as a Heritage Commission Board Member. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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3. America 250 – Colorado 150 Proclamation
Representative: Lisa Studts, Fremont County Heritage Commission

Ms. Studts was present to read the Proclamation to celebrate the 250th year anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of independence and being established as the United State. It is also the 150th year of Colorado officially being a state. She said that the Fremont County Heritage Commission, Fremont County Historical Society, different museums, and local school districts are collaborating to create events celebrating these milestones. She then recited the proclamation which can be found in its entirety at the bottom of these minutes.

Commissioner Bell said that this year also marks the 165th of Fremont County being an official county, founding when Colorado was just a territory, Fremont County was one of the seventeen original counties.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the proclamation for the America 250th and Colorado 150th. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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4. Reappointment of John Daniels to the Fremont County Fair Board with a term expiring December 31, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to reappoint John Daniels to the Fremont County Fair Board with a term expiring December 31st of 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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5. Reappointment of Paul Garrett to the Fremont County Weed Advisory Board with a term expiring December 31, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to reappoint Paul Garrett to the Fremont County Weed Advisory Board with the term ending December 31st, 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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6. Reappointment of Gina Gall to the Livestock Sale Committee with a term expiring December 31, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to reappoint Gina Gall to the Livestock Sale Committee for term expiring December 31st, 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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7. Appointment of a new member to the Fremont County Airport Advisory Board for a term expiring October 1, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to appoint Mark Klingensmith to the Fremont County Airport Advisory Board, with a term that will expire October 1st, 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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8. Appointment of a new member to the Fremont County 4-H Livestock Sale Committee for a term expiring October 1st, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to appoint Mary Bergman to the Fremont County 4-H Livestock Sale Committee with a term expiring October 1st, 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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9. Appointment of a new member to the Fremont County Tourism Council for a term beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to appoint Brad Appael to the Fremont County Tourism Council with a term beginning on January 1st, 2026, and ending on December 31st, 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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10. Appointment of a new member to the Fremont County Tourism Council for a term beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2028.

Commissioner McFall moved to approve the appointment of Barbara Smith to the Fremont County Tourism Council for a term beginning January 1st, 2026, and ending December 31st, 2028. Commissioner Bell seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Bell, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED 9:30 a.m.

None.

Commissioner Bell adjourned the meeting at 9:50am.

To view the YouTube Video for Commissioner Meeting, go to the following website:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AFkAu76HB5g>

Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners



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December 9, 2025

Alethea Butler
Animal Control Officer
Sheriff's Office

Dear Alethea,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Carry out duties with professionalism, commitment, and compassion
- Respond to calls with empathy, ensuring safety of residents and deputies, and advocating tirelessly for animal welfare
- Demonstrate exceptional initiative by taking on extra responsibilities, improving community outreach, and strengthening partnerships with local shelters and veterinarians

It is without question the County is a better workplace with you being a part of it.

Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
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Alexis Caraballo
Deputy-Detention
Sheriff's Office

Dear Alexis,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Always willing to help a fellow co-worker without complaint
- Likes to learn new things and is eager to do so
- Has a positive attitude and unwavering resilience

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Sincerely,


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Lindsey Clark
Office Manager
Building Department

Dear Lindsey,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.


Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Uplifting attitude makes the workplace enjoyable and supportive
- Genuinely cares about others and goes out of her way to help anyone in need
- Dedication, compassion, and incredible work ethic make her truly amazing

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Sincerely,


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Victoria Gordon
Child Support Specialist
DHS

Dear Victoria,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Very thorough in her casework all while providing excellent customer service to customers and co-workers
- Treats everyone with respect and dignity
- Never waivers from positivity, even in hard situations

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
Commissioner


Debbie Bell
Commissioner


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Wanda Goss
Agency Administrator
DHS

Dear Wanda,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Approaches her responsibilities with the highest level of integrity, professionalism, and heart
- Commitment to the agency, colleagues, leadership, and the community is unmatched
- Reflects the Department's values of Compassion, Collaboration, Customer Service, and Integrity

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Sincerely,


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David Hankins
Assessment Tech
Assessor's Office

Dear David,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Known in the office as "Mr. Helperton"
- Very, very good at his job, and never turns down jumping up to help anyone
- Has a kind word for everyone and greets them with a smile

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Sincerely,

Kevin Grantham
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Lisa Holgerson
Victim's Assistance Coordinator
Sheriff's Office

Dear Lisa,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Goes above and beyond for victims and their families
- Cares deeply for her co-workers and always makes sure they are taken care of
- Wears many different hats and gives more of herself to everyone

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Sincerely,

Kevin Grantham
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Loni Hudnall
Appraiser
Assessor's Office

Dear Loni,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Treats everyone with respect and dignity
- Always has a great attitude
- Provides wonderful service to the public in a difficult job

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
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Rose Leiva-Tappe
Case Manager Lead-Self Sufficiency
DHS

Dear Rose,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Consistently goes above and beyond, not for recognition, but because of genuine care
- Devotion to her role and her team is truly inspiring
- Role model of perseverance, humility, and heart

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
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Kathy Lutz
Office Administrator
Admin/HR

Dear Kathy,

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Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- A spark of positive energy
- Always quick to help anyone when needed
- Kind and compassionate

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
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Kaley Mahoney
Clerk
DHS

Dear Kaley,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Does extra work to help out other teams when short staffed
- Patient and kind to everyone
- Never hesitates to help in any way

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
Commissioner


Debbie Bell
Commissioner


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Ed Newkirk
Maintenance Worker
Facilities

Dear Ed,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Goes above and beyond
- Ensures every maintenance situation is handled in a timely manner
- Does everything with a smile

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
Commissioner


Debbie Bell
Commissioner


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Bailey Owen
Administrative Sergeant
Sheriff's Office

Dear Bailey,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Consistently demonstrates exceptional dedication, skills, and a positive attitude
- Always willing to help colleagues and contributes to a positive and collaborative work environment
- Demonstrates strong problem-solving skills, effectively addresses challenges and finds innovative solutions

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Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
Commissioner


Debbie Bell
Commissioner


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Brenda Pilcher
Custodian
Facilities

Dear Brenda,

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Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Has high standards and takes pride in work
- Extremely hard working, kind, and generous
- A cherished asset to the custodial team

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Sincerely,

Kevin Grantham
Commissioner

Debbie Bell
Commissioner

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Kelsey Smith
Lead Clerk
Clerk and Recorder

Dear Kelsey,

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- Works hard and knows the job inside out
- Gives her all to her job
- Is patient, professional and dedicated

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Sincerely,

Kevin Grantham
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Amanda Thomas
Lead Caseworker-Intake
DHS

Dear Amanda,

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Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Works diligently with parents and family members to ensure safety of children through engagement and support
- Reliable, helpful, kind, knowledgeable and a naturally strong leader
- Exemplifies commitment, professionalism and has a positive impact

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Sincerely,


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Charles Trenhaile
Corporal-Patrol
Sheriff's Office

Dear Charles,

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- Demonstrates consistent hard work
- Good communication, teamwork, and helping partners
- He is awesome

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Sincerely,

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Jade Wallace
Deputy-Patrol
Sheriff's Office

Dear Jade,

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- Extremely helpful
- Shares knowledge when needed
- She is awesome

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Kevin Grantham
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Janean Wheeler
Finance and Operations Administrator
DHS

Dear Janean,

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Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Jumped in with both feet immediately and committed to learning tasks ASAP
- Brought a wealth of knowledge to the team
- Positive attitude is contagious, she is proactive and enthusiastic in all she does

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Jenna Yslas
HR Generalist
Admin/HR

Dear Jenna,

Congratulations on being nominated by your co-workers for the Fremont County Employee of the Year for 2025! The fact your co-workers nominated you for this recognition displays their appreciation for your contributions to the County, whether it be in your department, your service to the community or for the overall good of the County.

Your nomination contained the following specific details on why your co-workers believe you are deserving of such recognition:

- Always goes above and beyond to help
- an incredibly warm and caring individual who brings a lot of joy to anyone
- Consistently goes above and beyond to be an exemplary Fremont County employee

It is without question the County is a better workplace with you being a part of it.

Sincerely,


Kevin Grantham
Commissioner


Debbie Bell
Commissioner


Dwayne McFall
Commissioner



Fremont County Board of Commissioners
Proclamation Honoring
Fremont County Heritage Commission
Board Member, Jim Nelson

WHEREAS, the Fremont County Board of County Commissioners acknowledges and celebrates the generous spirit of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, Jim Nelson has selflessly given time, energy, and talents to the Fremont County Heritage Commission contributing 11 ½ years of service and exemplifying the best of our community's heritage; and

WHEREAS, Jim Nelson has served as Treasurer from January 2014 to September 2025, as liaison to Crossroads Through Time Geologic Trail Project, Canon City Tourism board, Canon City Historic Preservation Commission, Friends of the Royal Gorge Regional Museum, and other regional groups, and

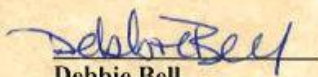
WHEREAS, his dedication has enriched public exposure to heritage programs, through his leadership in the design and research of the Fremont County Self-Guided Tour and Heritage Guides as well as organizing the annual Fremont County Heritage Days Celebration, and

WHEREAS, his dedication has expanded community access through his technical expertise in setting up a webpage offering the above guides as free downloads, in connecting with many of our designated Local Landmarks as well instructions for nominating new sites.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED by the County Commissioners of Fremont County that Jim Nelson is a volunteer worthy of recognition for outstanding service to Fremont County, and extend our deepest gratitude for his tireless commitment to the common good.

Signed this 9th Day of December, 2025.


Kevin Grantham
District 1 Commissioner


Debbie Bell
District 2 Commissioner


Dwayne McFall
District 3 Commissioner



Fremont County Board of Commissioners Proclamation



AMERICA 250 – COLORADO 150

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks Colorado's 150th anniversary of statehood; and

WHEREAS, Fremont County, founded in 1861 has contributed proudly and significantly to the history of our nation and our state for more than 164 years; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the United States Congress established by Joint Resolution the America 250 Commission to encourage observance of the 250 years of our nation's existence; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado legislature established the America 250- Colorado 150 Commission with the passage of Senate Bill 2022-011, and the Commission has determined its mission and purpose is to celebrate Colorado by acknowledging the completeness of our shared history, honor that which makes Colorado unique, and strive toward a more perfect union; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that Fremont County engages fully with our past and looks toward a shared future; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Fremont County thus encourage its citizens to create and participate in programs that will commemorate the history of our county, our state, and our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED by the Fremont County Board of County Commissioners that Fremont County will fully engage in commemorative activities leading up to and during the Commission's stated length of observance: July 4, 2025 through December 31, 2026. We urge all community members to take advantage of the resources available from the America 250 Commission, the America 250- Colorado 150 Commission, and the County of Fremont County to observe the Sesquicentennial anniversary by coordinating commemorative events, planning historical activities, providing opportunities for public discourse, creating new scholarship around Colorado's complete history, creating new educational opportunities, and by seeking opportunities for historic preservation. Fremont County pledges to uplift, support, and generate commemorative opportunities.

Signed this 9th Day of December, 2025.

Kevin Grantham
District 1 Commissioner

Debbie Bell
District 2 Commissioner

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District 3 Commissioner