

RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES OF 2024

**RESOLUTION HONORING
COUNTY ATTORNEY BRENDA JACKSON
ON HER RETIREMENT**

WHEREAS, Brenda Jackson, Esquire will retire on December 31, 2024, after about thirty-three years of distinguished service as Fremont County Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Brenda began her service to the County on January 14, 1992, serving as County Attorney while still maintaining a local full-time private law practice; and

WHEREAS, as a result of demonstrated legal ability, strong work ethic, and the County's increasing need for professional legal services, Brenda transitioned to become the full-time County Attorney on January 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Brenda has served with distinction as County Attorney for eleven Boards of County Commissioners and with sixteen individual County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, there are scarcely enough superlatives to describe Brenda's contribution to the County or the esteem in which thirty-three years' worth of Commissioners have held her, having described her as "reliable," "exceptional," "extremely professional," "team player," "efficient," "outstanding" and, perhaps most importantly, "trusted;" and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Brenda has deftly guided the County through good times and challenges, including acquisition and construction projects, an ever-changing legal and regulatory landscape, land use planning and economic development, and disasters both local and global; and

WHEREAS, Brenda has forever left her mark on the facilities and landscape of Fremont County, including the construction of a new Sheriff's Office and Jail, a new Courthouse, and a new home for the Department of Human Services; renovation of the Fremont County Administration and Garden Park buildings; acquisition and construction of Pathfinder Park, the Fremont County Emergency Response Center, Ecology Park, the Col. Leo Sidney Boston War Memorial Park; and expansion of the Fremont County Airport; and

WHEREAS, Brenda has given the Board of County Commissioners invaluable and trusted legal advice regarding land use planning by keeping the Fremont County Zoning Resolution and Subdivision Regulations relevant and up to date and by shepherding the complex process of development and adoption of 1041 regulations regarding matters of statewide interest; and

WHEREAS, Brenda has protected the interests of the County through such challenges as the legalization of marijuana, the Royal Gorge Fire, a devastating ransomware cyberattack, and a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Brenda has been recognized by her community for her outstanding leadership, her lifetime of contributions to the Fremont County community, and her professional achievement, being named Fremont’s Exceptional Professional Woman in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Brenda has also been recognized by her peers as an AV Preeminent lawyer, the highest possible peer review rating in legal ability and ethical standards; and

WHEREAS, Brenda served Fremont County beyond its borders as an Executive Board Member of the Colorado County Attorney’s Association for nine years; and

WHEREAS, Brenda’s stalwart presence and sound advice have enabled decades of Boards of County Commissioners, including this one, to confidently make decisions in the best interest of the County, knowing that the County’s legal interests are being protected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fremont County Board of County Commissioners does hereby extend to Brenda Jackson our grateful appreciation for her faithful and dedicated service to Fremont County and its citizens, our heartfelt congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our sincere best wishes for continued success, happiness and good health in the years to come.

Commissioner _____ moved adoption of the foregoing Resolution, seconded by Commissioner _____ and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Debbie Bell	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kevin Grantham	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dwayne McFall	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT

The Resolution was declared to be duly adopted.

Date: _____

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF FREMONT COUNTY

ATTEST:

By: _____
Chairman

By: _____
Clerk to the Board