



# **Fremont County Board of Commissioners**

## **NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY DAY PROCLAMATION**

### **September 22, 2026**

**WHEREAS**, scenic byways preserve and celebrate the unique natural beauty, history, culture, archaeology, recreation, and scenic resources that define the character of communities across America; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gold Belt Tour Scenic Byway serves as an important transportation corridor and destination, connecting residents and visitors to the stories, landscapes, and heritage that make our region distinctive; and

**WHEREAS**, scenic byways contribute to local economies by supporting tourism, small businesses, hospitality, recreation, and community development; and

**WHEREAS**, scenic byways encourage stewardship of our nation's treasured places while promoting education, preservation, and appreciation of local history, culture, and natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the volunteers, organizations, businesses, local governments, and citizens who support the Gold Belt Tour Scenic & Historic Byway play a vital role in protecting and enhancing the quality of life in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, National Scenic Byway Day provides an opportunity to recognize the contributions of designated scenic byways and to encourage residents and visitors alike to explore and enjoy these special roads and the communities they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gold Belt Tour Scenic & Historic Byway, designated as both a Colorado Scenic and Historic Byway and a National Scenic Byway, extends 131 miles through five historic communities – Florissant, Cripple Creek, Victor, Cañon City and Florence, showcasing Colorado's richest gold rush history and breathtaking mountain scenery and serving as a source of pride for residents and visitors alike.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED** by the County Commissioners of Fremont County that Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026, is hereby designated as NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY DAY. The County Commissioners urge all people of Fremont County to celebrate the scenic, historic, cultural, recreational, archeological and natural treasures found along the Gold Belt Tour Scenic & Historic Byway and through America's Byways.

**Signed this 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of September, 2026.**

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**Kevin Grantham**  
District 1 Commissioner

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**Debbie Bell**  
District 2 Commissioner

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**Dwayne McFall**  
District 3 Commissioner