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## AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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**TO:** FRUITA CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

**FROM:** DEB WOODS, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

**DATE:** JULY 27, 2021

**RE:** PROCLAMATION REQUEST – PROCLAIMING AUGUST 21, 2021 AS “ELLEN V. ROBERTS DAY” IN THE CITY OF FRUITA IN RECOGNITION AND IN CELEBRATION OF ELLEN FOR HER 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

### **BACKGROUND**

At the workshop meeting of October 27, 2020 at the City Council’s request, there was a discussion about establishing a process for selecting and placing proclamations on City Council agendas. At their regular meeting of November 17, 2020, the Council adopted Resolution 2020-44 – Adopting a Policy and Procedures for Requests for Proclamations for Consideration by the Fruita City Council (copy attached).

Ellen Roberts has been a resident of Fruita since 1923. She was a member of the Fruita Lionesses and the City’s Senior Task Force for many years and was instrumental in helping with fundraising for the Fruita Community Center in its initial stages, among many other things.

On August 21, 2021, Ellen will turn 100 years old. Her long-time friend and co-volunteer Marylee Bowen and Fruita’s Senior Activities Director Jacqui Foster (previously employed with the City’s Parks and Recreation Department) requested that a Proclamation be issued celebrating and in recognition of Ellen for her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Marylee and Jacqui stated they would make sure that Ellen would be present at a Council meeting to accept a Proclamation, should the City Council decide to issue one. Mary Lee also provided staff with information about Ellen from which to draft a Proclamation.

If the Mayor and Council desire to issue a Proclamation for Ellen Roberts, it will be placed on the Regular Meeting agenda of August 17, 2021 in advance of Ellen’s 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday.