



United Power Appreciation Day

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton would like recognize United Power as an exemplary community partner to the City of Brighton; and

WHEREAS, United Power was originally founded as Union Rural Electric and the cooperative was incorporated in October 1938 through the efforts of 26 original founders; and

WHEREAS, dubbed Union Rural Electric by the original founders, the name came to describe the "united" efforts of dozens of farmers from Adams, Boulder, Gilpin, Jefferson and Weld counties; and

WHEREAS, in April 1990, the cooperative name was changed to United Power, Inc., a visible sign of a new, more powerful entity emerging in the electric industry; and

WHEREAS, United Power has chosen Brighton as its home since it was incorporated in 1938, and

WHEREAS, United Power provides support to the City of Brighton through its generous sponsorship of city events including the Festival of Lights, Turkey Trot, Summerfest, the Brighton Youth Commission's SPEAK Week, and many more; and

WHEREAS, in addition to sponsorship, United Power staff dedicate their time attending community events to meet with residents and provide education; and

WHEREAS, United Power also plays an active role in supporting many Brighton organizations through membership, sponsorship and leadership positions including the Brighton Economic Development Corporation, the Eagle View Adult Center, the Greater Brighton Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau, 27J Schools Board of Education, the Boys & Girls Club, Plate Valley Medical Center Foundation, Pennock Center for Counseling, and many more; and

WHEREAS, all customers are cooperative members sharing in the ownership, construction, maintenance and prosperity of their electric utility and, as such, the profits of United Power are allocated to members every year. Because of this, United Power has provided the community with more than \$1 million in capital credits; and

WHEREAS, United Power now reaches more than 90,000 meters representing more than 250,000 customers and we are proud to have the cooperative continuing to make Brighton home to its headquarters and look forward to many more years to come as a dedicated community partner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, J.W. Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Brighton, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim December 17, 2019 as "United Power Appreciation Day."

DATED this 17th day of December, 2019.

J.W. Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Lynn Baca Clint Blackhurst Mark Humbert Matt Johnston Greg Mills Mary Ellen Pollack Natalie Hoel, City Clerk Kirby Wallin