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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 17-025

101 **CONCERNING THE RECOGNITION AND COMMENDATION OF THE PEOPLE**
102 **OF COLORADO ON THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE**
103 **INCORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ESTES PARK, COLORADO.**

1 WHEREAS, For over 150 years, Estes Park, Colorado, has been
2 a destination for people to recreate and enjoy the natural beauty of the
3 Colorado Rocky Mountain landscape; and

4 WHEREAS, 102 years ago, President Woodrow Wilson signed the
5 legislation creating Rocky Mountain National Park, adjacent to Estes
6 Park, long since recognized as one of the crown jewels of the nation's
7 national park system; and

8 WHEREAS, 100 years ago, a group of citizens and officials in
9 Colorado displayed great foresight in organizing and incorporated the

*Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE
Final Reading
March 24, 2017

1 Town of Estes Park to serve the growing needs of those living in and
2 visiting the area; and

3 WHEREAS, Over the same period, the Town of Estes Park has
4 played an important role in the development of outdoor recreation and the
5 tourism economy of the state of Colorado; and

6 WHEREAS, Estes Park is the home of many iconic landmarks,
7 including the Stanley Hotel, the inspiration for Stephen King's book, *The*
8 *Shining*; The Historic Park Theater, the oldest continuously operating
9 movie theater west of the Mississippi; the Baldpate Inn, with its collection
10 of over 20,000 unique and unusual keys; the Alva B. Adams Tunnel; and
11 the Colorado Big-Thompson Water Project, among other historic sites;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, More than one century later, Estes Park and Rocky
14 Mountain National Park are the most popular attraction in Colorado,
15 drawing 4.5 million annual visitors to its mountain beauty and
16 recreational opportunities; and

17 WHEREAS, The beauty of Estes Park lies not just in its natural
18 wonder and wildlife, but in the vibrant and resilient mountain-strong
19 character of its people; and

20 WHEREAS, It is the mission of the Town of Estes Park to
21 "Provide high-quality, reliable services for the benefit of our citizens,
22 guests and employees, while being good stewards of public resources and
23 our natural setting."; and

24 WHEREAS, This anniversary marks the celebration of more than
25 100 years of work by many current and former residents of this special
26 community and offers the community the exciting opportunity to think
27 about and plan for the equally bright future that lies ahead; now,
28 therefore,

29 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-first General Assembly*
30 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

31 That the Colorado General Assembly:

32 (1) Honors the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town
33 of Estes Park;

1 (2) Recognizes more than 100 years of work by many committed
2 Estes Park citizens; and

3 (3) Commends the Town of Estes Park and its residents and guests
4 for their dedication to protecting and guiding the quality growth of this
5 special corner of Colorado and the United States.

6 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
7 to the Mayor of Estes Park Todd A. Jirsa, the Town Administrator of
8 Estes Park Frank Lancaster, and Governor John Hickenlooper.