

PROCLAMATION NO. 4, SERIES OF 2017 IN RECOGNITION OF STAN ZEMLER, VAIL'S TOWN MANAGER

WHEREAS, the Vail Town Council hired Stan Zemler as Town Manager in August 2003, a seasoned manager from Boulder, Colorado, who has been serving as leader and advisor of the Town of Vail for over thirteen years, a tenure record that is most notable and remarkable for municipal managers serving local government, and;

WHEREAS, Zemler's achievements in Vail are far ranging, he's best known for astutely managing the town's finances during good times and downturns, while helping to direct major capital and profitable investments in Vail benefitting both residents and guests alike, including special events, public facilities, local parks, housing, roads and streetscapes, as well as support of environmental and forest health initiatives, and;

WHEREAS, Zemler helped foster and build upon an organizational foundation that innately takes a "premier and prideful" stance and approach when delivering customer service and municipal operations; his relationships with employees can be deemed as friendships and his values of respect, commitment and ownership in Vail's future are well aligned and ingrained in the organization, and;

WHEREAS, Zemler's ability to foster relationships with the town's partners, such as Vail Resorts, Inc., the businesses, the community schools, non profit agencies as well as the local residents, has taken Vail in positive directions to enhancing its economy, culture, education, and environment. His role in leveraging a state and federal presence with the I-70 Coalition and Colorado Association of Ski Towns has been invaluable in bringing attention to the challenges of a ski resort community and solving problems collectively and collaboratively, and;

WHEREAS, Zemler's qualities are about creating "bridges" in relationships and negotiation and decision-making, a style that has strengthened the community at large; he is considered a good listener, trusted mentor, consensus builder, collaborator, good communicator, insightful, pragmatic, passionate, professional, thoughtful, patient and steadfast, and conducts business with the highest integrity and in a most humble and inconspicuous manner, all with a sense of humor along the way; his amazing attributes have carved out his destiny and legacy with the Town of Vail, and; **NOW, THEREFORE**, the Vail Town Council proclaims our sincerest appreciation and heartfelt thanks to Stan Zemler for his years of service to our community and hereby recognizes his remarkable career with the Town of Vail. He has facilitated shaping and enhancing our community in all regards and we acknowledge and hold in high esteem his leadership and values which were instrumental in achieving our vision and status as "a premier international mountain resort community," a place that is a truly unique and magical place to live, work and play. Not only will his distinguished service and legacy live with us forever, but his friendship will, too! Thank you, Stan Zemler!

Dated this 4th day of April 2017.

Vail Town Council

Attest:

Dave Chapin, Mayor



Patty McKenny, Town Clerk

