

CORNERSTONE TRIBUTE PROCLAMATION

November 2019

Gerald "Jerry" F. Potter

Whereas, the Town of Castle Rock wishes to honor Gerald "Jerry" F. Potter for his legacy and lasting impact on the community supporting Cornerstones of Town Identity, Community Planning, Community Services and Local Economy; and

Whereas, Jerry moved his young family to Castle Rock in 1963 and started his business, Jerry's Sheet Metal, at 310 Fourth Street; and

Whereas, Jerry and his wife Arlette purchased "The Doctors' House" at 521 Third Street where they raised their six children — Dirk, Charles, Noel, Matthew, M'Lynn and Shawna — and were foster parents, providing a home to many young men who needed a caring family. Whether it was for a day, several months or even years, everyone was welcome in the Potter home; and

Whereas, Jerry was a member of the Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce for 11 years from 1964-1975 and was elected secretary in 1964 and president in 1968, was chairman of the Chamber's Improvement and Recreation Development Committee, received the Outstanding Community Achievement Award in 1970, and was elected to serve on the Chamber's Board of Directors; and

Whereas, Jerry played a role in the Starlighting ceremony since 1963, and donated time to ensure the success of many other beloved community events; and

Whereas, Jerry was a member of the Castle Rock Volunteer Fire Department for 22 years from 1964-1986, was elected fire chief in 1971 and 1978, assisted the fire marshal in educating children at Castle Rock Elementary and preschools throughout Castle Rock about fire prevention. When a fire call rang out, Jerry left his one-man business to spend countless hours and days serving and protecting the community; and

Whereas, Jerry played a central role in the creation of Centennial Park in Castle Rock along with his good friend Danny Burgess and their friends; and

Whereas, Jerry has been an active member of our community and has had a strong commitment to helping Castle Rock grow and thrive.

**NOW, THEREFORE, ON THE 5TH OF NOVEMBER 2019;
THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CASTLE ROCK PROCLAIMS:**

Jerry Potter, Recipient of the Cornerstone Tribute

ATTEST:

Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk



TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK

Jason Gray, Mayor

