



## PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, investment in the education of talented persons, regardless of economic status, is the cornerstone of a productive economy and democratic society; and*

*WHEREAS, TRIO Programs (High School Upward Bound, Student Support Services, Talent Search Educational Opportunity Centers, Veterans Upward Bound, and the Ronald E. McNair program) were created to serve educationally and economically disadvantaged students; and*

*WHEREAS, five of these TRIO Programs are located in Fort Collins at Colorado State University; and*

*WHEREAS, the American public recognizes the need to balance the Nation's budget and still believes that spending federal dollars in education is prudent and essential; and*

*WHEREAS, although the U.S. Secretary of Education, Mr. Richard Riley, said "They are willing to spend on education, but they demand results," it is true that the Federal TRIO Programs are investing in the human talent and resources that result in the student/client completion of a post-secondary education, thus becoming self-sufficient and no longer dependent on government intervention for life-long support.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ann Azari, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim February 24, 1999 as*

### NATIONAL TRIO DAY

*in the city of Fort Collins and urge our citizens to increase their awareness of the devastating impact that federal budget reductions will have on equal education opportunities.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 16th day of February, A.D. 1999.*

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk