



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, truthfulness is a critical personal quality needed for lasting success; and

**WHEREAS**, we desire to build upon our heritage and make Fort Collins a place where families are strong, homes and streets are safe, education is effective, business is productive, neighbors care about one another, and citizens are free to make wise choices for their lives and families; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that the health of this community depends upon all of our citizens being creative in their daily associations with their fellow citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the tranquility and orderly operation and development of our City demand that we implement the key concepts of truthfulness: facing the facts by accepting reality as it is, even when painful; telling the truth without distorting or misleading or hiding anything; refusing to exaggerate, making things seem more or less than they are; respecting others' property and not stealing from them; encouraging truthfulness in others by setting an example ourselves; and,

**WHEREAS**, by following these suggestions, we as citizens can individually and collectively improve the quality of our products and the efficiency of our services, focus our efforts on achieving our goals, provide our community with an improving competitive edge, and find new avenues for enriching our lives as we move boldly yet patiently into our developing future,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Doug Hutchinson, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim the character of

### TRUTHFULNESS

**“Building present and future trust by accurately reporting the facts honestly and without distortion”**

as the community of character focus for the month of October 2008, in the City of Fort Collins.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 7th day of October, A.D. 2008.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk