AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Letter of Support; Crystal Mill

Action Requested: Board of County Commissioners' Signature

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins: **Term Ends:** **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

The owner's of the Crystal Mill are forming a foundation to raise money and transfer the Mill to public ownership.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Submitted by: Katherine Haase for Marlene Crosby **Submitter's Email Address:** khaase@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by: Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reveiwed by: Discharge Date: Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes ○ No ○

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 11/15/2019

○ Consent Agenda ◉ Regular Agenda ○ Worksession Time Allotted: DCM Report

Agenda Date: 11/19/2019

Revised April 2015

November 19, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It is both our privilege and our responsibility to write a letter of support for the effort to raise the needed funding to place the Mill in Ownership by a nonprofit or a foundation with the intent that such entity would provide protection of the unique historic values of the property.

The Mill is an important historical resource for Gunnison County and especially for the Crystal River Valley. It is an important example of mining history that continues to educate visitors on the importance of mining in Colorado's past.

For many years, the Mill has been a destination for residents of Colorado and tourists from afar who have read the history and seen photos of the Mill in brochures, on websites, and on scenic calendars. The mill is under private ownership and Gunnison County supports the new owner's in their attempt to protect the mill from further degradation, while still providing an opportunity for the public to share in this unique place.

Gunnison County supports the preservation of this resource.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Houck, Chairperson	John Messner, Commissioner	Roland Mason, Commissioner