

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-4

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF HOLLY
SUPPORTING REAUTHORIZATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE COLORADO LOTTERY DIVISION IN 2018**

WHEREAS, Colorado voters provided for a statewide lottery, and in a subsequent election adopted the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) amendment to the state constitution, which directs that lottery profits be used for parks, open space, wildlife, and outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, following the voters' approval of a lottery, the General Assembly created a Lottery Division in the State Department of Revenue to administer the lottery; and

WHEREAS, as provided in the GOCO amendment, lottery profits are allocated to the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund (GOCO Trust Fund), the Conservation Trust Fund, and to the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, since 1992, the GOCO Trust Fund has distributed approximately \$1 billion in grants for projects to improve communities in all of Colorado's 64 counties. Funds have helped connect families to the outdoors, improved local trails and parks, built outdoor recreation facilities, preserved ranchlands, water resources, and view corridors, improved river access and quality and conserved wildlife habitat, and

WHEREAS, since 1983 the Conservation Trust Fund has distributed approximately \$1 billion in grants to counties, municipalities, and special districts for acquisition, development, and maintenance of new conservation sites, capital improvements and maintenance for recreational purposes on public sites, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Holly has been awarded several grants through the GOCO amendment lottery profits, including: Holly Youth and Adult Ball Park in 1995 for \$13,000; Municipal Pool Renovation and Enhancement in 1997 for \$70,154; Holly Town Park Enhancement in 1999 for \$10,000; Shanner Elementary Playground Equipment in 2002 for \$15,000; Justin Harrington Memorial Walkway in 2007 for \$22,000; and

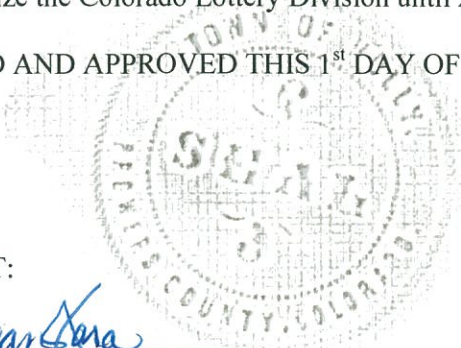
WHEREAS, the Conservation Trust Fund has distributed over \$250,000 directly to the Town of Holly. In the past five years the Town has used the distributed funds to purchase a new boiler and equipment for the Municipal Swimming Pool and a batwing mower and tractor to maintain recreational areas; and

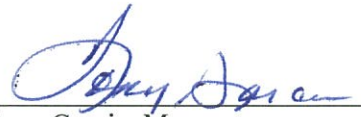
WHEREAS, the Colorado Lottery Division is critical to the administration of the entire GOCO program and the Division is set to expire unless extended by the General Assembly, which during its 2018 session will consider legislation to extend the Division to 2039.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Holly that:

The Town Board strongly urges the General Assembly to approve legislation during its 2018 session to reauthorize the Colorado Lottery Division until 2039.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017.




Tony Garcia, Mayor

ATTEST:


Megan Jara, Clerk/Treasurer