

Resolution

**A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR COSTAS ROMBOCOS
FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION OF THE AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL
MEMORIAL FROM THE CITIZENS OF COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO**

- WHEREAS,** Costas Rombocos emigrated from Greece in 1965; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Rombocos is the CEO of the Shrine of Remembrance; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Rombocos formed the Veterans Honor Court with its Honorary Trustees at the Shrine of Remembrance to raise funds in southern Colorado for the construction of the State Veterans Memorial at the State Capitol; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Rombocos has created many significant memorials in the Pikes Peak region and around the country; and
- WHEREAS,** In 1990, Mr. Rombocos introduced the idea that Colorado Springs should celebrate the 100th year anniversary of Katherine Lee Bates' epic poem "America the Beautiful"; and
- WHEREAS,** In 1993, during its centennial year, Mr. Rombocos dedicated and unveiled the memorial he had created at the summit of Pikes Peak, the site of Ms. Bates' inspiration for "America the Beautiful"; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Rombocos presented the America the Beautiful Memorial to the City of Colorado Springs during a dedication ceremony held at America the Beautiful Park on August 1, 2006; and
- WHEREAS,** The City of Colorado Springs extends its heartfelt appreciation for Costas Rombocos' contributions to this community and for his willingness to continuously strive to inspire the citizens of Colorado Springs to appreciate the wonderful city and country in which they live, work and play.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:


That we hereby recognize Costas Rombocos for his patriotism to the Armed Forces.

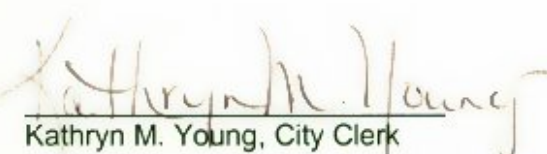
That we thank him for his contribution of the America the Beautiful Memorial that will be a lasting tribute in the City of Colorado Springs. This beautiful Memorial will be viewed by thousands of visitors as well as citizens of Colorado Springs in the years ahead.

That we appreciate and acknowledge his many years of service in making Colorado Springs a better place in which to live.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 22nd day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:


Lionel Rivera, Mayor


Kathryn M. Young, City Clerk

