

Proclamation

ROCKY PHARRIS DAY DECEMBER 19, 2004

WHEREAS, It's time to think of those who are less fortunate than ourselves and in the spirit of the season to help where we can; and

WHEREAS, Rocky Pharris led a group of girls from Stratton and Burlington to the semi-finals in girl's softball. The team had a fantastic year and came within a breath of winning it all. He is a former college catcher (UNC) and has been a big part of the success we've enjoyed in baseball and softball, summer, fall and spring. He's also been a great science teacher and role model for our young people; and

WHEREAS, Friday, December 3, Rocky left for Indianapolis, for more radiation/chemotherapy and bone marrow stem cell treatment. The 27 year old first discovered the cancer in one testicle when he was 17. He has battled lymph-node and lung cancer and seen these go into remission, receiving a clean bill of health, only to find problems in his blood work a few days ago. Those of us that know Rocky know that he is a fighter and has beaten this disease many times, we also know the reality is, this is probably his last chance and the odds for success are something less than 50/50; and

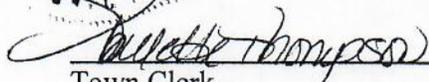
WHEREAS, on Sunday, December 19th a benefit Christmas gala and auction will be held at the Stratton Legion Hall from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., and

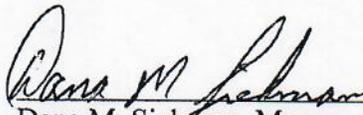
WHEREAS, in respect and recognition of the contributions Rocky Pharris has made to the Town of Stratton, the Stratton Town Board of Trustees has provided that December 19, 2004 shall be set aside to honor one of our own who is less fortunate and fighting for his life against cancer;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dana M. Siekman do hereby proclaim December 19, 2004, as Rocky Pharris Day in the Town of Stratton, Colorado.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of December, 2004.




Town Clerk


Dana M. Siekman, Mayor
Town of Stratton, Colorado