WHEREAS, Naropa University, located in Boulder, Colorado, was founded in 1974 by the esteemed Buddhist leader, Chögyam Trungpa Rinpoche; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University is celebrating its 40th Anniversary in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University is this nation’s leader in contemplative education and is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University has always been a magnet for great minds, intellectual curiosity, and those who search for greater meaning; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University’s Summer Writing Program has attracted and taught some of our nation’s greatest poets, authors and performers; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University and its 250 faculty and staff teach and serve the educational journey of more than 1,000 undergraduate and graduate students, preparing them to effectively address the most profound challenges and to transform the world around them; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University graduates work around the world as therapists, teachers, creative artists, environmental leaders, chaplains, entrepreneurs and community activists; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University has been recognized as a “College of Distinction” and one of the “8 Greenest Colleges” in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Naropa University plays a substantial and vital role in the cultural, academic, and economic fabric of the State of Colorado;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim September 18, 2014, NAROPA UNIVERSITY DAY

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this eighteenth day of September, 2014

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor