



PROCLAMATION

**BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MOAB, UTAH, PROCLAIMING APRIL 13-20, 2026
INTERNATIONAL DARK SKY WEEK IN THE CITY OF MOAB**

WHEREAS, the aesthetic beauty and wonder of a natural night sky is a shared heritage of all humankind; and

WHEREAS, the experience of standing under a starry night sky inspires feelings of wonder and awe, encouraging a growing interest in science and nature, particularly among young people and visitors from outside the local communities.; and

WHEREAS, light pollution has scientifically established economic and environmental consequences, including impacts on ecological systems and human health; and

WHEREAS, Astro-tourism brings economic benefits to Moab and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, Moab City became an International Dark Sky Community in 2024, recognizing its leadership in protecting the natural night sky; and

WHEREAS, Utah is home to the greatest concentration of internationally recognized Dark Sky Places; and

WHEREAS, the International Dark-Sky Association is the globally recognized authority on light pollution and has created International Dark Sky Week to raise awareness and provide free resources to the public to encourage the protection of and enjoyment of dark skies and responsible outdoor lighting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Joette Langianese, Mayor of Moab, Utah, do hereby proclaim April 13-20, 2026, as International Dark Sky Week and ask each resident to join me in protecting and raising awareness about our treasured night skies.

Joette Langianese, Mayor

Sommar Johnson, City Recorder