

## CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

## **GREETINGS FROM MAYOR RIVERA:**

It is a pleasure to welcome the **U.S.S. FRANK KNOX DDR-742** to hold their **60**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Reunion** this October 20-24, 2004 in Colorado Springs. This famous ship named after the former Secretary of the Navy saw action in three major conflicts during its service. Our City salutes the more than 450 members and 38 original crewmembers!



You'll find an abundance of unique cultural and recreational opportunities awaiting you.

Enjoy breathtaking views of Pikes Peak, our most prominent landmark, or go to the top of the mountain by foot, automobile, or cog railway. Visit Garden of the Gods, the magnificent park of red sandstone formations, a spiritual retreat of ancient peoples. Explore collections of Hispanic, Native American, and western American art, including works by Georgia O'Keefe, at the Fine Arts Center in downtown. Learn a little about the Air Force, past and present, at Colorado's most frequently visited man-made attraction, the Air Force Academy.

Many other attractions await you, as well as a myriad of shopping and dining opportunities in our vibrant downtown and throughout the city.

Founded in 1872, Colorado Springs has evolved from frontier town to world-class international community, boasting a blend of high-tech companies, military installations, and National non-profit organizations, such as the Olympic Training Center. The landscape of our city also includes many parks, trails, and open spaces. Over a half-million people call the Pikes Peak Region home and we're proud of our healthy economy and the incredible quality of life we enjoy.

Best wishes for an enjoyable Reunion and thank you for your service to our country.

Sincerely,

Lionel Rivera

Mayor