

# DENVER CITY COUNCIL



## Proclamation No. 24-0584 Recognizing May 10<sup>th</sup> as Provider Appreciation Day

**WHEREAS**, The Office of Children's Affairs connects communities, government agencies and other stakeholders to support the safety, well-being and development of young people and their families; advocates on behalf of children, their families, and service providers to remove barriers and increase their opportunities; supports programs that are innovative, equitable and effective through funding and technical assistance; and leads across the child and youth-serving field by engaging youth voice, assessing community needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Child Care Aware® of America and other organizations nationwide are recognizing Child Care Providers on this day; and

**WHEREAS**, child care has provided a safe, nurturing place for the enrichment and development of millions of children nationwide and is a vital force in our economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the pandemic illuminated how indispensable child care providers are for the well-being and economic security of Denver, Colorado's young children, families, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Colorado recognizes that child care has been and continues to be a lifeline for families, communities, and the economy. As such, it has provided much-needed support to providers to help sustain the viability of childcare by making pre-school accessible for all; and

**WHEREAS**, the future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children today; support for high-quality child care represents a worthy commitment to our children's future.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

**Section 1.** That the Council of the City and County of Denver recognizes May 10, 2024, as Provider Appreciation Day in Denver, Colorado and urge all citizens to recognize Child Care Providers for their importance.

**Section 2.** That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to The Office of Childrens Affairs.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL May 6, 2024

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PRESIDENT

