

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. 18-0360 Proclaiming Support for the 2018 March for Science

WHEREAS, Denver and Colorado are home to some of the top scientific, technology, and engineering minds and institutions in the world; and

WHEREAS, Colorado is one of the top five states in the nation for science employment, with over 200,000 scientists and engineers and over 15% of our workforce – some 400,000 jobs – are in federal, state, local government, academic, and private sector science, technology, and engineering fields; and

WHEREAS, there are over 16,000 jobs in clean energy in the City and County of Denver and the Metro Denver area employs 21,000 workers in aerospace and 16,000 in bioscience; and

WHEREAS, the fastest growing industries in 2016-2017 were science-based – aviation, aerospace and IT-software; and

WHEREAS, robustly funded and publicly communicated science is a pillar of human freedom and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, good science informs good public policy, regardless of political party or philosophy of government; and

WHEREAS, a diverse and inclusive scientific community asks a broader range of questions and rewards us with a greater understanding of our world; and

WHEREAS, equitable access to science and science education is critical to individual autonomy, an informed citizenry, a vibrant economy, and to best prepare future generations to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world; and

WHEREAS, today millions around the globe commit to and call for public support of science education, scientific research, and science as an institution, and for political leaders and policymakers to enact evidence-based policies in the public interest to uphold the common good.

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

Section 1. The Council of the City and County of Denver supports the Denver March for Science Day on April 14, 2018.

Section 2. The Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall attest and affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy of this proclamation be transmitted to representatives of the Denver March of Science.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL April 9, 2018

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM