

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

PROCLAMATION NO. 21-0402 RECOGNIZING THE EXTRAORDINARY CAREER AND RETIREMENT OF MARK TABOR

WHEREAS, since 1868, through multiple eras of innovative and intentional planning, design and policy, a rich legacy of parks and open space has been shaped in Denver, supporting the physical and mental health of residents by maintaining 250+ parks and providing activities in 30+ recreation centers accessible to people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, Mark Tabor provided excellent customer service to residents, partners, elected officials, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board members, and Denver Parks and Recreation staff, becoming a go-to person for the department for his wealth of knowledge about the department's operations, and implementing his work with integrity and strong moral principles; and

WHEREAS, Mark has been a passionate leader in the Denver Parks and Recreation Department for over 13 years leading some of the department's most complex planning efforts and development agreements, including leading the planning process and 2019 adoption of *Game Plan for a Healthy City*, a multi-year planning and engagement effort to guide the department for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Mark managed the Parks Development Review Program and oversaw 1,492 applications in 2020 along, ensuring Denver Parks and Recreation is able to protect and maintain its parks and parkways system; and

WHEREAS, Mark has successfully coordinated with the Denver development community to create new parks and open spaces for all residents; and

WHEREAS, Mark played an important role in High Line Canal storm water planning, governance, and the adoption of the community visions for the High Line Canal; and

WHEREAS, Mark provided leadership and stewardship over Denver Parks and Recreation's historic assets, leading the departments historic capital accounting planning, and recently completing the Historic Resources Study, which for the first time, fully inventories over 700 historic resources in Denver's parks system.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council thanks Mark for his years of dedicated service to the residents of the City and County of Denver and proclaims the retirement of Mark Tabor from Denver Parks and Recreation, and

Section 2. That 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 be transmitted to Mark Tabor.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL APRIL 5, 2021

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steve Gilmore", written in black ink.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT