

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 25-0038 Recognizing January 28, 2025, as “Dr. E. Laquilla Phillips Day”

WHEREAS, Dr. E. Laquilla Phillips dedicated her life to uplifting and empowering communities through Christian values, exemplary service, leadership, and advocacy on local, national, and international platforms; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips profoundly impacted the City and County of Denver through her unwavering commitment to addressing critical social challenges, championing equity, and fostering opportunities for marginalized populations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips demonstrated exceptional leadership in developing innovative programs and initiatives that transformed the lives of countless individuals within our city and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips’ work extended far beyond the borders of Denver, earning national recognition for her contributions to advancing education, healthcare access, and social justice, and inspiring countless others, especially women, to follow her example of compassion and service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips amplified her influence on the global stage, forging international partnerships and advocating for sustainable solutions to address systemic inequities, serving as a bridge of hope and understanding across cultures; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phillips passed away on March 19, 2024, leaving behind a legacy of transformative leadership, selfless service, and unshakable hope that will continue to inspire future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Denver City Council recognizes the profound loss felt by her husband, the legendary Bishop Dr. Acen Phillips, her family, friends, colleagues, and the countless lives she touched through her work.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council formally recognizes January 28, 2025, as Dr. E. Laquilla Philips Day in the City and County of Denver to honor her memory and celebrate her invaluable contributions to our city, our nation, and our world.

Section 2. That the Clerk and Recorder 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 Bishop Dr. Acen Phillips, husband to Dr. E. Laquilla Phillips.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL January 13, 2025

PRESIDENT

