

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## Proclamation No. 17-0992

### Celebrating the Denver League of Women Voters' 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**WHEREAS**, the League of Women Voters of Denver began in 1932 as the Denver Women's Citizen League as an affiliate of both the state and the national leagues; and

**WHEREAS**, by 1941, the group was officially "The League of Women Voters of Denver" and is now a non-partisan organization which encourages the informed and active participation of Denver citizens in their democracy at all levels; and

**WHEREAS**, the group champions governmental systems that are open, transparent, representative, responsive, accountable, efficient, inclusive, equitable and that engage broad and meaningful citizen input; and

**WHEREAS**, to achieve these goals in the Denver community, the League has consistently been the source of fair and impartial pro and con information on local ballot questions, in addition to sponsoring candidate debates and forums for local elections; and

**WHEREAS**, the League has a record of strong advocacy for quality education for all Denver children including working in conjunction with community groups to ensure peaceful school desegregation in the 1970's and supporting other initiatives to improve public education; and

**WHEREAS**, the League has also supported measures to ensure adequate and affordable housing for all Denver residents, such as the concept of dispersed public housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the League has worked to protect the citizen's right to know by promoting open meetings and records at the local level of government including the Denver executive and legislative branch, as well as, the Denver School Board.

### **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 hereby congratulates the Denver League of Women Voters on its 85<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration at the Brown Palace Hotel on September 14 and thanks the group for its significant contribution to informed and inclusive governance in Denver.

**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 copies be transmitted to Marge Fisch, Director of Organization; Marty Sloven, Director of Program; and, Pearlanne Zelarney, Director of Communications.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alvin B. B. B.", positioned above a horizontal line.

PRESIDENT