

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation CP10-0451, Series of 2010

Recognizing Bill Lovingier on the occasion of his retirement

Introduced by Councilmembers Hancock and Linkhart

WHEREAS, Bill Lovingier, Director of Corrections and Undersheriff will be retiring on May 31, 2010 after 32 years of dedicated service to the Denver Sheriff Department and the City and County of Denver; and

WHEREAS, Bill's career began in 1978 as a deputy sheriff at the Denver County Jail subsequently promoting to Sergeant, Captain, Major, Division Chief and finally Director of Corrections a position he has held for the last four years; and

WHEREAS, Bill's immense knowledge of the corrections system comes from having worked in numerous divisions including the Pre-Arrestment Detention Facility, Denver Health Medical Center, Community Corrections/Work Release, Court Services and Civil Division, Internal Affairs and Technology, Support and Special Projects; and

WHEREAS, Among his many accomplishments as the Director of Corrections, Bill has spearheaded creation of Mental Health Transition units which will forever change the way incarcerated people with mental health issues are treated, re-acquisition of accreditation from the American Correctional Association, creation of the Prisoner Industry Enhancement Certificate Program, establishment of an objective prisoner classification system and a Jail Management System, and initiation of the "Meds Upon Release Program", as well as the opening of Denver's new state of the art downtown detention facility—the Van Cise-Simonet Detention Center; and

WHEREAS, His talents are also well-known among professionals in his field beyond the City borders through his participation in numerous state and national organizations where Bill has been instrumental in advancing the reputation of the Denver Sheriff Department; and

WHEREAS, Bill's educational background includes an Associate's Degree in criminal justice from Red Rocks Community College and a Bachelor's Degree in criminal justice from Regis University and he also holds numerous specialized training certifications from local, state and federal organizations; and

WHEREAS, Bill and his wife of 38 years, Dixie will soon have more time to enjoy their three wonderful children and six beautiful grandchildren and their passion for bicycling and motorcycling.

NOW THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. That the Council hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to Bill Lovingier for his dedicated and conscientious work on behalf of the City and County of Denver.

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 Bill Lovingier and his family.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL _____ 2010

PRESIDENT