

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## Proclamation No. CP13-0372

In recognition of former Denver City Auditor Mike Licht

**WHEREAS**, Mike Licht was born in Denver in 1931, and after graduating from North High School in 1949, he spent four years serving in the United States Navy; and

**WHEREAS**, home again, Mr. Licht enrolled in the University of Denver, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting in 1958, and a Master's Degree in Business Administration in 1962; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Licht served seven years as the appointed Chief Auditor of the Denver District Courts, the first stage of his career with the City & County of Denver that later included appointment by Mayor Tom Currigan as Denver County Assessor (1965-1973) and appointment by Mayor William McNichols, Jr. as Administrator of the Department of Health and Hospitals (1973-1976), where one of his finest accomplishments was the successful pursuit of reimbursement to Denver from the State of Colorado of \$10 million per year for residents of other counties served by Denver's hospital system; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Licht was then appointed Deputy Manager of Revenue by Mayor McNichols, and, in 1983, began his political career, defeating incumbent Charles D. Byrne for the position of City Auditor; and

**WHEREAS**, as City Auditor, Mr. Licht was noted for many practices and achievements, one of which was the auditing of City concessionaires, which led to the City receiving an additional \$6 million in improvements to Mile High Stadium and McNichols Arena; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Licht, CPA, has been active in many professional organizations, including the Colorado Society of Appraisers (1972 President); appointment to the Denver Health Insurance Committee (Chairman 1968-1975); Denver Metro Sewer District Board in 1970; and the Advisory Committee on Governmental Accounting for the State of Colorado in 1983.

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

**Section 1.** The Council hereby recognizes Mike Licht as a fine public servant and thanks him for his years of dedicated service to the City & 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 Mike Licht.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL July 15, 2013

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PRESIDENT