



**Proclamation No. CP16-0284
Proclaiming Chernobyl Commemoration Day**

WHEREAS, thirty years have passed since the nuclear explosion at Chernobyl in Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 3.5 million inhabitants, including 1 million children, of the Chernobyl area were exposed to high levels of radiation; and

WHEREAS, the people of Ukraine have struggled with the aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster with courage and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, Americans, Ukrainian-Americans and citizens in every nation must concentrate their efforts to prevent such a tragedy from occurring again by working for greater nuclear safety, governmental responsibility and citizenry vigilance; and

WHEREAS, the Denver-based Colorado Chapter of the Ukrainian Women's League of America will mark the 30th anniversary with a candlelight vigil in Cheesman Park at the Chernobyl Bench on April 23, 2016 at 4pm; and

WHEREAS, this international tragedy is one that deserves recognition for the day and more importantly for the people who experienced it.

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 proclaims April 26, 2016 as Chernobyl Commemoration Day.

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 the Colorado Chapter of the Ukrainian Women's League of America.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL April 18, 2016

PRESIDENT