

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 24-0087 Honoring Brad Meuli for 25 years of service to Denver Rescue Mission

WHEREAS, Brad Meuli has served as the President/Chief Executive Officer for Denver Rescue Mission for nearly 25 years from April 1999 to February 2024. He started as a volunteer and became a board member before joining the staff in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Brad Meuli facilitated the opening of multiple facilities to help people experiencing homelessness and poverty including: The Crossing (2005), Ministry Outreach Center (2012), Fort Collins Rescue Mission (2012), Lawrence Street Community Center (2015), Holly Center (2017) and 48th Avenue Center (2021 - In partnership with the City of Denver); and

WHEREAS, Brad Meuli served the most vulnerable men, women and families in our community with necessities like food and shelter, and long-term programs for recovery to support people with the tools to become productive members of society. From 1999-2024, Denver Rescue Mission provided 15,525,522 meals to the hungry, 5,450,005 nights of shelter to people without a roof over their head and 1,478 long-term program completions; and

WHEREAS, Brad Meuli fostered the growth of the Mission's programs and operations from an operating budget of approximately \$2 Million in the 1990's to \$50 Million in 2024, and a revenue budget of \$50 Million in 2024. Employees increased from 36 in 1999 to 340 in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Brad Meuli expanded programs and other wrap around services at the Mission starting with enhancing the New Life Program, expanding life skills and educational opportunities, work readiness, and housing readiness, to name a few. Plus, he supported expanding wrap around services from case management to counseling and addiction recovery. Most importantly his commitment to serving the most vulnerable people in our community never wavered.

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 recognizes and honors Brad Meuli for his dedication to the most vulnerable people and service to our entire community.

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 a copy be transmitted to Brad Meuli.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL JANUARY 29, 2024

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PRESIDENT

