

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 23-1511 Proclamation Honoring Jerene Petersen

Whereas Jerene Petersen has spent her life helping people who are experiencing difficulties and challenges; and,

Whereas, Jerene started her career following the Peace Corps, working with youth in the foster care system and still today volunteers as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteer; and,

Whereas, Jerene has worked throughout her career with the sole mission of serving people at organizations including Urban Peak, Mile High United Way, the City of Denver, and the Colorado State Department of Human Services; and,

Whereas, Jerene has made friends with many people who are unhoused and supported them to find housing and enter treatment; and,

Whereas, Jerene has taught all who know her how to be kind and yet be fierce advocates; and,

Whereas, Jerene is never afraid to ask the hard questions of who is not at the table and then making the table bigger; and,

Whereas, Jerene is known for her mentorship of staff and colleagues with the goal of improving access to systems; and,

Whereas, Jerene Petersen has impacted the lives of countless individuals; and,

Therefore, we thank and honor Jerene for her decades of service on behalf of our community and for spending her life working so all who want to call Denver home can.

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, acknowledge Jerene Petersen's contributions in the City 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 Jerene Petersen.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL October 16, 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. J. ...", written over a horizontal line.

PRESIDENT

