

## Proclamation No. 24-1427 Honoring Denver's Election Workers in Advance of the Administration of the 2024 Presidential General Election

**WHEREAS**, under the leadership of Clerk Paul López, the Office of the Denver Clerk and Recorder's Elections Division is responsible for administering Denver elections; and

**WHEREAS**, Denver has more than 560,000 registered voters, of which more than 443,000 are active; and voter turnout is expected to be 85-90% in the Nov. 5, 2024 Presidential General Election; and

**WHEREAS,** Denver is a national gold-standard model for elections, mailing all active registered voters their ballots three weeks in advance of the election, making it easy to vote either by mail, using one of 45 ballot drop boxes, or in person at one of 39 Voter Service and Polling Centers; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 95% of Denver voters choose to either vote by mail or use drop boxes located within a mile of every household in Denver; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk and Recorder's office expands from 64 employees to employ more than 1,200 dedicated bipartisan election judges during the General Election; and

**WHEREAS**, elections officials throughout the country continue to receive very real threats to life and safety, and the Denver Elections Division has prepared with thorough and regular testing and training and multi-agency exercises; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's ballot is the largest in Denver's history with three double-sided 11'x17' pages with 25 ballot questions on every ballot, resulting in 9 million ballot touch points in the 45-day election cycle; and

**WHEREAS,** roughly 40% of ballots come in on Election day, and 75% of those after polls close, resulting in 480,000 ballot cards to be counted after 7 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Denver Elections Division counts every vote with 100% accuracy, as certified by Clerk and Recorder Paul López and Secretary of State Jena Griswold; and

**WHEREAS,** Denver residents can update their registration, check the facts and find voting locations at DenverVotes.org.

## NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE DENVER CITY COUNCIL:

**Section 1.** That the Denver City Council thanks all the dedicated full-time and temporary election workers for their incredible dedication and wishes the entire Denver Elections Division a smooth, safe and accurate 2024 General Election.

**Section 2.** That the Denver City Council, declares November 5, 2024 to be #DenverVotesDay in the City and County of Denver and urges all eligible residents to register to vote and return their ballots as early as possible.

**Section 3.** That the Clerk and Recorder of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that copies be transmitted to: Denver Clerk and Recorder, Paul Lopez.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL October 14, 2024

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PRESIDENT

