

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. CP14-0547

In honor of Frank Fresquez on his retirement after 40 years with the Denver Public Library

WHEREAS, Frank Fresquez was a youth assistant worker at the Denver Public Library, where he found his first mentor, and spent his career paying forward that positive experience by always offering an ear to youth, especially young minorities, starting their work lives in the Denver Public Library (DPL), one of the city's most beloved institutions; and

WHEREAS, Frank is a role model not only for minority youth but also for DPL staff and the community due to his leadership and direct involvement in numerous DPL programs and projects throughout the years, including the DPL Hispanic Steering Committee; the Latino Award Event held annually at the Woodbury Branch Library; the DPL Used Book Sale; and as Master of Ceremonies for numerous system-wide DPL events; and

WHEREAS, Frank managed the Library's Print and Design Office with expertise and professionalism, providing superior customer service and overseeing the department through change and growth; and

WHEREAS, his community involvement includes service on Denver's 2010 Census Committee and on the Mayor's Task Force for redevelopment of the former St. Anthony's Hospital site; he is a Charter Member of the DPL "World Famous Bookclapper and Kazoo Marching Band"; and he has been actor and vocalist on stage with the Centro Su Teatro troupe, most memorably for his role in "Chicanos Sing the Blues"; and

WHEREAS, Frank, the athlete, finds time to enjoy golf and tennis as well as running, which took him across the finish line of two Denver Marathon races; and Frank, the husband and family man, is proud to be father of five, grandfather of five, and great-grandfather to one little one, so far.

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

Section 1. The Council hereby honors Frank Fresquez for his long and distinguished career with the Denver Public Library; thanks him for his service to the residents of Denver, especially Latino youth; and wishes him well upon his retirement.

Section 2. 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 transmit a copy to Frank Fresquez.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL July 14, 2014

PRESIDENT