

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## Proclamation No. 17-1256

### Recognizing the Colorado Municipal League for its invaluable service to Denver and Municipalities of the State of Colorado

**WHEREAS**, the Colorado Municipal League is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization providing services and resources to assist municipal officials in managing their governments and serving the cities and towns in Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, CML was founded in 1923, and is in its 94<sup>th</sup> year of service to the municipalities of the State of Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, CML is the voice of Colorado's cities and towns with more than 97 percent of the state's municipalities represented in the League's membership; and

**WHEREAS**, CML provides high quality resources and services that empower municipal governments to sustain strong, healthy, and vibrant cities and towns; and, represents Colorado cities and towns collectively through its advocacy, membership services, training, and research efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Colorado has a multitude of different types of cities and towns, and CML empowers them to enact policy and make decisions that are best for their individual governments, economies, and constituents, because "one size does not fit all" in local government; and

**WHEREAS**, the work of CML unifies the municipalities across Colorado while also allowing them to maintain their own individual identity; and

**WHEREAS**, CML has always been a champion and defender of home rule authority, both in the legislature and in the courts, and as a result Colorado cities and towns including Denver enjoy one of the strongest traditions of home rule in the nation. On a regular basis, policy choices made by the Mayor and City Council to pass legislation or make expenditures in the best interest of our own citizens are grounded in the bedrock of home rule; and

**WHEREAS**, CML's lobbying role at the State Capitol supports Denver's legislative priorities every session by providing a collective voice for all Colorado municipalities, providing a stronger, more influential position than Denver could gain if acting alone.

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

**Section 1.** That the Denver City Council extends a sincere thank you to the Colorado Municipal League for its dedication and perseverance to protect and maintain the rights of the municipalities of Colorado.

**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 Sam Mamet, Executive Director of the Colorado Municipal League.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL November 6, 2017

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alan Burke".

PRESIDENT