

Proclamation CP10-0702, Series of 2010, Honoring the 25th Anniversary of Joe & Juanita Lucero's Annual Neighborhood BBQ.

Introduced by Councilman Paul D. López

WHEREAS, Mrs. Juanita Lucero was born and raised in Denver's Westside, is a proud graduate of West High School, served as "the head lunch lady" at Knapp, Newlon and Steele Elementary Schools, and is currently a 15 year veteran USPS letter carrier; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Joe Lucero, Jr. is from Colorado's beautiful San Luis Valley and is a retired truck operator; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lucero have two adult children Joe Lucero, III and Ruby Lucero and settled in the West Denver Neighborhoods of Barnum and Villa Park where they became active members of the community and served as Cub Scout and Girl Scout leaders for over a decade; and

WHEREAS, the Lucero family first lit the grill in 1984, in honor of Joe Lucero, Sr.'s 70th birthday which only included a few family members, neighbors, and co-workers, and has now transformed into a community tradition at the Lucero home with nearly 500 families, co-workers, and neighbors in attendance; and

WHEREAS, country, Mexican and rock-n-roll music fill the air along with the aroma of 50 lbs. of pork loin, 200 hamburger patties; 25 lbs. of chicken thighs, 450 hotdogs, 300 pieces of fried chicken, 50 lbs. of potatoes, 150 dozen cookies, 20 different salads, 30 different cakes, 250 servings of pie, vegetables ordered by the caseloads, and two types of beer - cold and hot; and

WHEREAS, the meal is prepared in the loving kitchen of the Lucero family and under the strict supervision and micro-management of the Westside's very own Vince Lombardi of lunch ladies, Mrs. Juanita Lucero; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2010 Joe and Juanita's BBQ celebrate 60 years; that is, 25 years of BBQ and 35 years of being hitched.

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

Section 1: That the Council hereby honors the Lucero Family's Community Spirit and commemorates the contributions of the Lucero Family to the people of the City and County 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 of this proclamation is transmitted to the Lucero family.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL	2010
	PRESIDENT