

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 25-1907

The Epworth Foundation Presents the Annual Denver Feed-A-Family Thanksgiving Distribution Honoring the Legacy of Daddy Bruce Randolph

WHEREAS, over six decades ago, community icon Daddy Bruce Randolph began a powerful tradition of feeding Denver families in need, a legacy that has grown into one of Colorado's most enduring acts of compassion and unity; and

WHEREAS, the Epworth Foundation continues this tradition as a beacon of service and community care, ensuring that the spirit of giving remains a cornerstone of Denver's character and extending its reach to families throughout the Denver community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the foundation's signature initiative, the Denver Feed-A-Family Thanksgiving Distribution, extends the warmth of the holiday to thousands of households each year through the provision of food baskets and year-round community programs that uplift families; and

WHEREAS, through the extraordinary generosity of local residents, businesses, faith institutions, and volunteers, more than 180,000 Denver-area families have received support including 7,500 Thanksgiving baskets in 2024 alone; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Xiomara Yanique, Executive Director of The Epworth Foundation, and Reverend Frank Jones, Executive Director of the Daddy Bruce Randolph Legacy Foundation, the 2025 campaign guided by the theme of "**Gather | Give | Grow**" invites Denver residents to unite as one community, give generously, and grow stronger together so every family may share a Thanksgiving meal; and

WHEREAS, financial and community sponsors for the 2025 distribution include Reconstruction Road Ministries, the Daddy Bruce Randolph Legacy Foundation, CMTS LLC, The Why Not? Foundation, THE DROP 104.7, Denver City Council District 9, Denver Human Services, the Neighborhood Equity & Stabilization Division, and countless community members whose partnership fuels this effort; and

WHEREAS, inspired by Daddy Bruce Randolph and carried forward by the late Reverend Ronald Wooding and Elder King Harris, this intergenerational legacy endures through the steadfast dedication of volunteers, faith leaders, community partners, and donors who selflessly give of their time, talent, and resources; and

WHEREAS, the *Denver Feed-A-Family* initiative stands as an embodiment of Denver's highest values in unity, generosity, and inclusiveness extending beyond the provision of meals to cultivate belonging, dignity, and shared joy during the holiday season.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council recognizes the substantial contributions of the Epworth Foundation and the enduring impact of Daddy Bruce Randolph's vision, which have strengthened the community fabric and exemplified the highest ideals of service and brotherhood.

Section 2. That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to Xiomara Yanique, Executive Director of The Epworth Foundation.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL November 17, 2025

PRESIDENT

