

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## Proclamation No. 17-0299

### **Congratulating the Denver St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee on the Occasion of the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Parade on March 11, 2017**

**WHEREAS**, Denver has one of the largest cultural parades in the United States and the largest St. Patrick's Day parade west of the Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme "The Emerald Celebration" pays tribute to the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the parade; and

**WHEREAS**, the Denver St. Patrick's Day Parade exemplifies a peaceful celebration along with a community of diverse citizens who gather together with a glance at the Celtic past and a look to the future while enjoying Irish cultural fanfare, pipe and drum bands, Irish step dancing, and honoring all divisions of our military to the delight of over 300,000 spectators; and

**WHEREAS**, congratulations and thanks to all volunteers of the Denver St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, including many who have passed on but are still remembered, for their endless hours and never-ending commitment which makes this celebration possible; and

**WHEREAS**, we hope the Colorado sun and the Mile High air lifts the spirits of all who march or attend the 55th annual parade, Saturday, March 11, 2017, and we hope for a warm wind at our backs as we celebrate the Irish culture in the great state of Colorado.

**NOW THEREFORE,**

**BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

**Section 1.** That the Council hereby congratulates the Denver St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, a volunteer organization, on a well-organized, peaceful and spirited gathering at the 55th annual event.

**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 the Denver St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee President, James Leasure.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL January 23, 2017

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