

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 25-0036 Standing Together for a Unified Denver

WHEREAS, The City and County of Denver is dedicated to being a beacon of inclusivity, equity, and opportunity for all who live, work, and visit, regardless of race, national origin, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, Denver thrives because of the diversity of its residents, whose rich cultural, religious, economic, and educational contributions strengthen the very foundation of our community; and

WHEREAS, Denver has long stood as a champion for civil rights, ensuring protections for immigrants, refugees, and asylees to live with dignity, call upon emergency and public safety services without fear, and build safer, stronger neighborhoods together; and

WHEREAS, our city has been steadfast in defending the rights and freedoms of LGBTQ+ individuals, people with disabilities, communities of color, and religious communities and will continue to oppose any threats or actions that seek to diminish their protections and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Denver commits to bold and innovative efforts to safeguard our environment, improve the mental, physical, and behavioral health of all residents, protect reproductive autonomy, and ensure that our actions today build a sustainable city for the next seven generations; and

WHEREAS, The City of Denver celebrates the contributions of immigrant, refugee, LGBTQ+, people with disabilities, and all marginalized communities, reaffirming our unwavering dedication to their safety, inclusion, and success; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the interconnectedness of all Denverites, understanding that the prosperity of our city depends on fostering equity, empathy, and mutual respect for every resident; and

WHEREAS, Denver remains vigilant against any efforts that threaten constitutional protections, civil rights, or access to the vital resources that uplift our most vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, through the strength of local initiatives, community partnerships, and the resilience of our residents, Denver has consistently demonstrated its commitment to addressing systemic inequities and creating opportunities for all and acknowledge the catastrophic impact of any loss of funding for critical family service programs like Federally supported education, food, healthcare and housing; and

WHEREAS, we pledge to work alongside city agencies, nonprofits, and community members to build a Denver where everyone belongs and where equity and opportunity are shared by all; and

WHEREAS, this proclamation serves as a call to action for all Denverites to join in creating a community rooted in compassion, collaboration, and hope for a brighter, more inclusive future.

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

Section 1. That Denver City Council and the Mayor of Denver reaffirm our commitment to equity, unity, and inclusion as the cornerstone of our shared future.

Section 2. The Clerk and Recorder of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation, and copies shall be transmitted to key community partners and stakeholders.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL January 13, 2025

PRESIDENT

