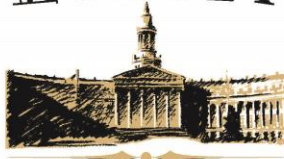


PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. 22-0339 Honoring the Life of Margaret Chavez

WHEREAS, in February of 1980 President Jimmy Carter signed an executive order recognizing March as Women’s History Month; and

WHEREAS, since 1890 women have played and continue to play a vital role in the operations and direction of the Denver Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Denver Police Museum and the Denver Police Department have partnered to celebrate Women’s History Month 2022 in honoring Sgt. Margaret Chavez; and

WHEREAS, Officer Margaret Chavez started her law enforcement career at the Northglenn Police Department in 1970 and later served at the Jefferson County District Attorney’s Office in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Chavez was born Margaret McCumiskey in Denver 1940; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Chavez was educated in the Denver Public Schools attending Beach Court Elementary, Horace Mann Middle School, and graduated from North High School, attended Metropolitan State College; and

WHEREAS, in June 1959 Margaret Chavez married Anthony “Snooky” Acierno, with whom they had two children, Dena and Anthony “Snooky” Acierno Jr; and

WHEREAS, in 1970 Margaret Chavez married Denver Police Officer Kenny Chavez; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Chavez joined the Denver Police Department in 1985; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Chavez was assigned to patrol in Denver Police District 3 in 1986, to patrol in Denver Police District 2 in late 1986, and she would return to District 3 in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Chavez would serve as a DARE instructor in 1992, and as a recruiter for the department in 1994, and later served as a Public Information Officer under the administration of Chief David Michaud in 1996; and

WHEREAS, in 1998 Margaret Chavez was promoted to Sergeant where she would eventually serve in District 6 as a Patrol Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, in 2001 Sergeant Chavez would lead in Auto Theft and Property Crimes Units and in 2003 would serve as District 3’s Sergeant of Detectives; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 Sgt. Margaret Chavez retired from the Denver Police Department; and

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

Section 1. the Denver City Council wishes to recognize retired Sgt. Margaret Chavez for her groundbreaking role while serving and protecting the citizens of the City and County of Denver.

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 Margaret Chavez.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL March 21, 2022

_____ PRESIDENT