

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 24-0848

A Proclamation Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Washington Park Lawn Bowling Green

WHEREAS, the Washington Park Lawn Bowling Green is 100 years old in 2024; and

WHEREAS, "The Lawn" is home to the Washington Park Lawn Bowling Club, which was formed in 1924, and the Denver Croquet Club, which was formed in 1985; and

WHEREAS, the clubs that use the green have a Use Agreement with the City of Denver, via its Department of Parks and Recreation, that state "the lawn bowling and croquet activities in Washington Park promote DPR's goals, through 'Game Plan for a Health City'"; and

WHEREAS; the clubs that use the green have a Use Agreement with the City of Denver, via its Department of Parks and Recreation, that states "the general role of the Clubs is to organize program and activity for participants; support efforts to equitably provide access to the lawn facilities and activities; maintain and care for the site in good condition; and to serve as the first point of contact for community participants' and neighborhood residents' engagement in lawn bowling and croquet activities"; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Park Lawn Bowling Green is such a unique gem of a space that is one of only a few bowling greens located in city parks in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the lawn bowling green enhances Denver's second-largest urban park with a unique area and contributes to a positive, healthy lifestyle for Denver residents; and

WHEREAS, the two clubs will commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Denver's bowling green in Washington Park with a two-day celebration on June 28-29, 2024.

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

Section 1. That the Council of the City and County of Denver does hereby recognize and honor its 100-year-old Washington Park Lawn Bowling Green or "The Lawn" as a unique and significant park space.

Section 2. That the Council of the City and County of Denver does hereby recognize and honor the members of the Washington Park Lawn Bowling Club and the Denver Croquet Club for the remarkable efforts to support and enhance the city, its parks, and Denver residents by being exceptional partners with the Denver Parks and Recreation Department and especially maintaining and enhancing the bowling green area.

Section 3. 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 leaders of the Washington Park Lawn Bowling Club, the Denver Croquet Club, and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL June 24, 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. L. ...", is written over a horizontal line.

PRESIDENT

