

## Proclamation No. 25-0266 Celebrating Aztec New Year 2025

**WHEREAS**, the ancient calendar systems of Pre-Colombian America were established with the participation of thousands of Peoples and Nations across thousands of miles in this hemisphere and over thousands of years; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the careful observation and patient study, first nations adapted the cyclical revolution of the Earth into their model of co-existence and governance; and

**WHEREAS**, Azteca Mexica New Years Day marks the beginning of the New Year based on the Aztec calendar, celebrating an ancient tradition of the Azteca Mexica culture, symbolizing the cyclical nature of time and the renewal of cosmic energy; and

**WHEREAS**, Azteca Mexica New Years Day is celebrated by Native American and Native Mexican communities, and a multitude of festivities take place throughout the Azteca Mexica New Year that provide an opportunity for all to experience indigenous knowledge and traditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Olmec, Toltec, Mayan and Aztec calendar systems are recognized by modern science to be the most precise systems; and

**WHEREAS**, March 12 is celebrated across the continent as Mexica New Year, based on the information that is substantiated by both European and Mexican calendars due to the Surrender of Tenochtitlan on August 13th, 1521; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chicano Community of Denver Colorado has been hosting Aztec New Year celebrations for more than two (2) decades, bringing together people from all over the city to participate and preserve the rich heritage of the Aztec Civilization.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council celebrates March 12, as Aztec Mexica New Year and

**Section 2.** That 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 that a copy be transmitted to Denver based Danzante groups.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL March 3, 2025

PRESIDENT

