

## PROCLAMATION NO. 20-1012 RECOGNIZING THE EXTRAORDINARY CAREER AND RETIREMENT OF THOMAS (SKYLER) RUGGLES

**WHEREAS**, since 1868, through multiple eras of innovation and intentional planning, design and policy, a rich legacy of parks and open space has been shaped in Denver; and

**WHEREAS**, Denver Parks and Recreation supports the physical and mental health of resident by maintaining over 250 parks and providing activities in over 30 recreation centers accessible to people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, for over 15 years, Thomas (Skyler) Ruggles helped Denver Parks and Recreation fulfill its mission to provide dynamic, innovative programs and safe beautiful spaces to Denver residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Skyler coordinated the Ruby Hill Railyard Park each winter, by recruiting and training volunteers, managing the terrain park and working with the parks operations crew on the build-out and maintenance of the park; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2019 alone, he helped to bring outdoor recreation opportunities to more than 14,000 people and was able to educate, inform and enhance the quality of the lives of the people who participated; and

**WHEREAS,** Skyler's true passion for sharing the joy of the outdoors with others shone through his work, while his dedication to the program throughout his years inspired many other teammates!

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

**Section 1.** That the Denver City Council recognizes and honors the dedicated service of Thomas (Skyler) Ruggles to the residents of the City and County of Denver.

**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 Thomas (Skyler) Ruggles.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 21, 2020
COUNCIL PRESIDENT