

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver
Proclamation CP12-584

Welcoming the 2012 Denver County Fair, a big batch of tradition with a side of NOW!

WHEREAS, the first Denver County Fair in over a century was held in 2011 and was such a huge success, it may become an annual event, and the second County Fair will be held at the National Western Complex August 10 through August 12; and

WHEREAS, the Denver County Fair honors the fine traditions and values of America's county fairs, providing time-honored friendly competition for that Blue Ribbon for the best garden produce, preserves, pies, handicrafts, chickens, goats and more; and

WHEREAS, activities this year are all indoors and include food, live cooking and gardening demonstrations, pie eating contests, live local music and entertainment, shopping opportunities and a full carnival and midway; and

WHEREAS, the County Fair is a venue where people share history and traditions but also exchange new ideas and innovations in the heart of Denver, which is forging a reputation as a bustling creative capital for the 21st Century but which is also rediscovering the benefits of locally-produced food, backyard farming and urban homesteading; and

WHEREAS, this will be the only fair in the world with a Geek Pavilion celebrating Denver's brainiacs, techies, sci-fi nerds and geeks of every ilk, many of whom will be competing for that coveted Blue Ribbon in the Gaming Area, displaying mastery in the Scrabble tournament or exhibiting their homemade fighting robots in the Critter Crunch; and

WHEREAS, Denver's 4H Club youth will be exhibiting their award-winning creations and animals, competing for a chance to strut their stuff at the Colorado State Fair in Pueblo; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Denver County Fair generated approximately \$1.6 million for the local economy, and it is estimated that the 2012 County Fair could contribute a cool \$2 million.

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

Section 1. That the Council hereby enthusiastically welcomes the 2nd Annual Denver County Fair, extends its best wishes for another spirited, successful year, and encourages everyone to get out and enjoy the Fair.

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 Tracy Weil and Dana Cain, Co-Founders of the Denver County Fair.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL August 6, 2012

PRESIDENT