

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 26-0511 Recognizing April 2026 as National Donate Life Month

WHEREAS April 2026 marks the 23rd National Donate Life Month to raise awareness of organ, eye, and tissue donation, encourage Americans to register as donors, and honor those who have saved and healed lives through the gift of donation; and

WHEREAS Colorado leads the nation with nearly 900,000 Coloradans registering to be organ, eye, and tissue donors at the Department of Motor Vehicles, a decision that reflects our deep commitment to one another and confirms the good in us all; and

WHEREAS Donor Alliance, in collaboration with community partners, educates Colorado residents about the lifesaving benefits of organ and tissue donation, inspires them to register as donors, and encourages them to share their decision with their family; and

WHEREAS one donor can save up to eight lives through organ donation, help restore sight for up to two people through corneal transplants, and save and heal more than 75 lives through tissue donation; and

WHEREAS in Colorado and most of Wyoming in 2025, a record 314 heroic organ donors made 1,036 lifesaving transplants possible; and 1,880 heroic tissue donors saved and healed nearly 144,000 lives through tissue grafts; and

WHEREAS registering as a donor gives hope to the more than 1,300 people in Colorado waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant, while compassionately celebrating donors and their families for the gift of life.

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 formally recognizes the month of April 2026 as National Donate Life Month in 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 copies be transmitted to Phil Workman and Donor Alliance Chief Administrative Officer Laura Jeffries.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL APRIL 13, 2026

PRESIDENT

