

Proclamation No. 25-1855 A Proclamation Honoring the Día de los Muertos Parade and Festival

WHEREAS, Día de los Muertos is a treasured cultural tradition that celebrates life, honors loved ones who have passed, and affirms the enduring connection between generations through remembrance, reflection, and joy; and

WHEREAS, Día de los Muertos is observed annually on November 1 and 2, bringing families and communities together to build altars (ofrendas), share food, art, and music, and adorn spaces with marigolds, candles, and photographs as symbols of love and continuity; and

WHEREAS, this cherished observance—rooted in Indigenous and Spanish traditions—reminds us that death is not an end but a continuation of life's circle, and that the memory of those we have lost continues to guide and inspire us; and

WHEREAS, the Día de los Muertos Parade and Festival, taking place on October 26, 2025, unites Denver's vibrant and diverse communities in honoring this meaningful heritage through art, dance, music, and cultural expression that celebrates both remembrance and life; and

WHEREAS, the Día de los Muertos Parade and Festival, and its dedicated founders, Norberto Mojardin and Cesar Alberto Delgado, artists, and volunteers have created a space that fosters cultural pride, understanding, and unity—showcasing the contributions of Denver's Latino, Mexican, and Mexican American communities that enrich the city's cultural fabric; and

WHEREAS, the City and County of Denver proudly recognizes Día de los Muertos as a time for reflection, connection, and celebration of the traditions that strengthen our sense of belonging and community.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council recognizes the outstanding work of Norberto Mojardin and Cesar Alberto Delgado to create this beloved Denver community celebration.

Section 2. The Clerk and Recorder shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and transmit copies to the Día de los Muertos Parade and Festival.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL November 10, 2025

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PRESIDENT

