



Proclamation No. 23-0948

A Proclamation Recognizing Councilmember Jolon Clark's Service to the City of Denver

WHEREAS, Jolon Clark has faithfully served as a Councilmember representing Lucky District 7 on the Denver City Council since 2015; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, Jolon Clark has displayed unwavering dedication to the betterment of the community, focusing on issues of mobility and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Jolon Clark's exceptional leadership skills were recognized when he was elected President Pro-Tem of the Council in 2016 and subsequently served as President of City Council from 2018 to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Jolon Clark's commitment to the city extends beyond his role in the Council, as evidenced by his active involvement on numerous boards, including the Levitt Pavilion Denver, Denver Regional Council of Governments, Mile High Flood District, Transportation Solutions, Visit Denver, Energize Denver Task Force, and Xcel Energy Future Collaboration Group; and

WHEREAS, Jolon Clark has been a strong advocate for Denver residents through many legislation, such as the successful sponsorship of legislation to establish a new permanent funding source for parks, the repeal of the city sales tax on menstrual hygiene products, the requirement for gender-neutral signage in all single-stall restrooms, the doubling of investment in public art through the Urban Arts Fund, the funding of proactive treatment and tree planting to combat Emerald Ash Borer, the creation of the Denver Office of Climate Action, Sustainability, and Resiliency, and the establishment of a permanent funding source to accelerate Denver's work in combating climate change; and

WHEREAS, Jolon Clark's commitment to sustainability and improving Denver's waste diversion rate is evident through his efforts to expand waste service collection by offering free and weekly recycling and compost collection, as well as implementing a fee structure based on the volume of trash discarded to incentivize waste diversion from the landfill; and

WHEREAS, Jolon Clark has consistently demonstrated an unwavering commitment to the welfare and protection of animals, as evidenced by his continuous efforts to hold lobbyists accountable and ensuring that the wellbeing of animals takes precedence over profit, supporting legislation to ban the inherent cruelty and potential harm associated with the declawing of cats; and

WHEREAS, Kit Kat, Jolon Clark's beloved feline companion and internet famous cat, serves as a reminder of the positive impact that animals can have in building a case for animal welfare legislation and reinforces the importance of promoting their well-being and protection.

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 hereby proclaim our gratitude and commend Jolon Clark for his exceptional service as a Councilmember and his outstanding contributions to the City of Denver. His tireless efforts to prioritize mobility, environmental sustainability, and social equity have positively impacted the lives of countless residents.

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 a copy be transmitted to Councilmember Clark.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL July 10, 2023

_____ PRESIDENT