



**Proclamation No. 20-1089  
Recognizing the Career and Retirement of Commander Jeffrey Martinez**

**WHEREAS**, on September 1, 1995 Commander Jeffrey Martinez, a Denver Public School graduate who was born and raised in Denver, began his career with the Denver Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his 25 year career, Commander Martinez held numerous assignments in District Four, District One patrol, the Training Division, the Gang Unit and Internal Affairs Division, and as Commander for Districts Five and One; and

**WHEREAS**, Commander Martinez received a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration from the University of Phoenix and an Undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice Management; and

**WHEREAS**, valuing the relationship and partnerships with members of the Denver community, Commander Martinez partnered with organizations to develop programs for underserved youth and DPS students, volunteered his time in the elderly community, assisted individuals re-entering the community post-incarceration through programs like Suits for Success, mentored minority and female police applicants; and

**WHEREAS**, Commander Martinez is active in various Denver groups including the Latino and Vietnamese communities, the Little Saigon District and the Colorado Hispanic Coalition, is a former board member of Denver Inner City Parish, the Colorado Latino Forum, the Denver Police Protective Association and the National Latino Police Officers' Association; and

**WHEREAS**, having received the Medal of Honor, two Superior Tactics and Response Awards, three Official Commendations, seven Commendatory Letters, two Chief's Unit Citations, 67 combined Letters of Appreciation and Citizen Letters, the Citizens Appreciate Police Award, The Bill Daniels True Blue Award and A Mayoral Certificate of Appreciation is indicative of his commitment to service and to others; and

**WHEREAS**, as a man who values family and community, Commander Martinez will be missed by those who worked with him both in law enforcement and the community.

**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 Commander Jeffrey Martinez; and

**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 Commander Jeffrey Martinez.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL October 5, 2020

PRESIDENT