

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## **Proclamation No. CP15-0914 Recognizing World AIDS Day and the UNAIDS 90-90-90 Paris Declaration Goals**

**WHEREAS**, since the early 1980's the City and County of Denver has been devastated by the loss of life and the impact of AIDS and HIV; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 6,800 people are living with HIV/AIDS in the City and County of Denver; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and County of Denver led the nation in establishing the Denver Principles in 1983 and the HIV Care Continuum in 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and County of Denver has signed the UNAIDS 90-90-90 Paris Declaration which supports greater awareness of the diagnosis, treatment and suppression of HIV/AIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and County of Denver joins Colorado's efforts in committing to the goals of the Colorado HIV/AIDS Strategy to end the AIDS epidemic across the state, to significantly reduce new HIV infections and support people living with HIV to live long and productive lives free of stigma by 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, World AIDS Day, designated December 1st of every year since 1988, is dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection, and mourning those who have died of the disease; and

**WHEREAS**, the progress made in the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS must be recognized with a renewed commitment to prevent new infections, particularly among higher at-risk populations; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for World AIDS Day 2015 is "The Time to Act Is Now."

### **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 recognizes December 1, 2015 as World AIDS Day and affirms the UNAIDS 90-90-90 Paris Declaration wherein by 2020 90% of people living with HIV in Denver will know their status, 90% of all people diagnosed with HIV infection in Denver will receive sustained antiretroviral therapy, and 90% of all people in Denver receiving HIV antiretroviral therapy will have viral suppression.

**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 the Denver Office of HIV Resources.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL November 30, 2015

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PRESIDENT