

Proclamation No. 13-0335

Celebrating the 18th Anniversary of Juniper Village - The Spearly Center in Denver

WHEREAS, Juniper Communities was founded in 1988 by Lynne S. Katzmann and is located at 2205 West 29th Avenue in Denver, Colorado, and is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, Juniper Communities acquired Juniper Village – The Spearly Center - in 1995 and the center is celebrating its 18th anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, Juniper Village – The Spearly Center is home to approximately 135 residents and 140 professionals dedicated to providing person-centered care in a therapeutic community; and

WHEREAS, Juniper Village - The Spearly Center serves people living with chronic mental illness, brain injury, or neurological disorders providing a wide range of care and services to include respite care, short-term rehabilitation, skilled nursing assistance, and long-term residency; and

WHEREAS, Juniper Village - The Spearly Center provides a holistic approach to care by involving the individual and his/her care team to create a plan of care that addresses the person's physical, emotional, spiritual, cognitive, social occupational, relationship, and leisure pursuit toward well-being in each realm of life; and

WHEREAS, Juniper Village – The Spearly Center actively supports National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Walks, and has a long-standing relationship with the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Juniper Village – The Spearly Center actively participates in programs offered in the Denver area with its residents including the Adaptive Skiing Program sponsored by the Breckinridge Outdoor Education Center; visitations by the Denver Broncos Cheerleaders; and the Denver Regional Council of Governments.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council recognizes Juniper Village - The Spearly Center on its 18th anniversary and congratulates the center and its employees for providing a safe-haven of specialized care to maximize recovery, healing, and long-term assistance to Denver residents.

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 Sue Pappas, NHA, Juniper Village – The Spearly Center.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL June 3, 2013