

Proclamation No. 15-0064

Honoring Shirley Amore for her service to the Denver Public Library

WHEREAS, Denver City Council wishes to recognize our colleague Shirley Amore who has provided exceptional guidance and vision as City Librarian for more than eight years and is now retiring; and

WHEREAS, Shirley accomplished a great deal during her tenure including delivering a successful campaign in 2007, when voters said yes to \$52 million for Library capital improvements as part of the Better Denver Bond Program; and

WHEREAS, with Shirley's successful advocacy, voters approved Ballot Measure 2A, in 2012, ensuring additional funds for every branch to be open a minimum of six days per week; and

WHEREAS, the Denver Public Library enjoyed many highlights under Shirley's leadership, including opening the Green Valley Ranch Branch Library, the Sam Gary Branch Library and the Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales Branch Library; and

WHEREAS, with an unwavering commitment to bringing excellent library services to the community, Shirley Amore has earned the respect and affection of Denver's citizens, Library staff and city officials; and

WHEREAS, Shirley has been a tireless advocate for the purpose of libraries in our communities, she has thought outside the box to provide all residents, including homeless people, opportunities to utilize library services for personal growth and connection to technology services; and

WHEREAS, it has been the privilege of City Council to work side-by-side with Shirley Amore, and we thank her for the dedication, talents and heart with which she has served this great city.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council sends their birthday wishes to Shirley as she celebrated her special day on Monday, February 16 and to honor both her birthday and the occasion of her retirement, the Council declares Tuesday, February 17, as "Shirley Amore Day".

Section 2. That the Denver City Council hereby honors Shirley Amore for her distinguished service to the Denver Public Library and the citizens of Denver and wishes her well upon her retirement.

Section 3. 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 Shirley Amore.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL February 17, 2015