



**Proclamation No. 23-1288  
A Proclamation Honoring Temple Emanuel's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel congregation was incorporated in 1874 by 22 pioneering Jewish families - two years before Colorado became a state; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel has grown into the largest and oldest synagogue in the state of Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel's clergy and leadership have consistently served as visionary leaders of and partners in the growth of the city of Denver and the state of Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel's leadership and clergy have been a central part of the cultural, spiritual, intellectual, and political life in Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel's clergy and leadership were co-founders of the United Way, National Jewish Hospital, and many other important cultural, medical, educational, and social service organizations that contribute to the health and vitality of our state; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel has consistently served as a convener of the community in times of joy and difficulty; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel is one of the most prominent and important congregations in the Union of Reform Judaism; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel continues to serve as a voice of compassion and concern, reaching out to those in need and working to bring about *Tikkun Olam* – Repair of our World; and

**WHEREAS**, Temple Emanuel is celebrating its 150th Anniversary.

**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, to acknowledge Temple Emanuel's contributions for the past 150 years.

**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 Rabbi Black and Temple Emanuel.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 18, 2023

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