

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver  
Proclamation No. 10-1069

**In recognition of the great service by RD Sewald as the Mayor's liaison to City Council and in honor of his new appointment to the staff of Governor-elect John Hickenlooper**

Introduced by Council President Nevitt and Councilwoman Boigon

**WHEREAS**, it is widely understood that RD Sewald began his City service roughly at the age of 4-years-old, sometime during the Quigg Newton administration, or perhaps earlier, and no living City employee appears able to remember a time when RD was not roaming the halls or cruising the streets, keeping things running smoothly, getting things done, and making sure that each and every boss he ever worked for looked better than they deserved; and

**WHEREAS**, while RD Sewald was born "Ronaldifio Diego" Sewald, or was it "Russlan Drugeyovich" Sewald?, or perhaps it was "Ronald Donald" Sewald? - regardless he has always and will forever be known at the City simply as "RD"; and

**WHEREAS**, while RD Sewald has worked in a host of different capacities at the City and always excelled, he found his true calling in the legislative arena, first as Council liaison for City Auditor Dennis Gallagher, then as legislative director for Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper; and

**WHEREAS**, while RD Sewald has proven himself one of the strongest and most effective advocates for the Mayor and administration to City Council, he also has proven himself, on behalf of the City Council, to be a conscientious reporter, honest broker, reliable partner, and even occasional advocate, back to the Mayor's Office and administration; and

**WHEREAS**, while RD Sewald is no stranger to hard-ball politics, has an uncanny knowledge of where political leverage is to be found and a ruthless ability to exploit it, he nonetheless can count more friends than enemies among those he has worked against in the political arena, and many eager, willing partners among former opponents starting new political enterprises; and

**WHEREAS**, RD Sewald epitomizes the best virtues of a public servant: a dedication to excellence; a focus on serving all citizens for the common good; and a commitment to ensuring that all voices are heard and that solutions are reached to the benefit of all.

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

**Section 1.** That the 13 members of the Denver City Council are saddened by the departure of RD Sewald from City service and will miss his hard work, integrity, and cheerful appetite for "the grind" necessary to find agreement and to get things done.

**Section 2.** That the Denver City Council applauds RD Sewald and wishes him great success as he moves to be Governor's liaison to the 100 members of the Colorado General Assembly.

**Section 3.** That the Clerk of the City & County of Denver shall attest and affix the seal of the City & County of Denver and transmit a copy of this proclamation to RD Sewald.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_ 2010

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PRESIDENT