

City and County of Denver Proclamation No. CP10-1005 Welcoming the American Public Health Association's 138<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exposition to Denver

Introduced by Councilman Paul D. López

**WHEREAS**, the American Public Health Association (APHA) is the oldest and most diverse organization of public health professionals in the world and has been working to improve public health since 1872; and,

**WHEREAS**, APHA and its state affiliates represent over 50,000 health professionals and others who work to promote health, prevent disease, and ensure conditions in which we all can be safe and healthy; and,

**WHEREAS**, APHA aims to protect all Americans, their families, and their communities from preventable, serious health threats, and strives to assure community-based health promotion and disease prevention activities and preventive health services are universally accessible in the United States; and,

**WHEREAS**, APHA builds a collective voice for public health, working to ensure access to health care, protect funding for core public health services, and eliminate health disparities; and,

**WHEREAS**, APHA promotes the scientific and professional foundation of public health practices and policy, advocates the conditions for a healthy global society, emphasizes prevention, and enhances the ability of members to promote and protect environmental and community health; and,

WHEREAS, the APHA 138<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exposition is in Denver this year, November 6-10; and,

**WHEREAS**, the APHA Annual Meeting and Exposition is the oldest and largest gathering of public health professionals in the world, attracting more than 13,000 national and international physicians, administrators, nurses, educators, researchers, epidemiologists, and related health specialists; and,

**WHEREAS**, this is the premier public health educational forum where local public health professionals can learn from the experts in the field, hear about cutting edge research and exceptional best practices, and discover the latest public health products and services.

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

**Section 1.** The Denver City Council welcomes all environmental public health professionals to Denver and fully supports the American Public Health Association's 2010 theme of Social Justice in advancing public environmental health efforts for all communities to eliminate health disparities in our country and urges conference participants to fully enjoy all public amenities our City has to offer by promoting physical activity.

**Section 2.** 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 the American Public Health Association.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL\_\_\_\_\_2010

PRESIDENT