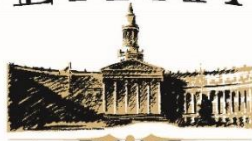


PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. 20-0243

Recognizing Women's Bean Project for its Invaluable Service to our Community for 30 years

WHEREAS, employment and workforce development are key factors to strengthening communities and to helping individuals break the cycle of poverty; and

WHEREAS, Women's Bean Project is a nonprofit social enterprise providing employment and job readiness training to women who are chronically unemployed within the Denver Metro community; and

WHEREAS, Women's Bean Project was founded in 1989 with the mission to provide stepping stones to self-sufficiency through social enterprise, offering employment to women in its food manufacturing business; and

WHEREAS, in the last thirty years, Women's Bean Project has served over one thousand women with 95% of its graduates maintaining fulltime employment one year after exiting the program; and

WHEREAS, Women's Bean Project is committed to providing its services to women in our community as long as there is a need by expanding its business and program offerings; and

WHEREAS, Women's Bean Project believes all women have the power to transform their lives through employment, allowing them to strengthen their families and build new futures for themselves within the community; and

WHEREAS, Women's Bean Project has worked for thirty years to provide jobs, build a workforce and increase the skills and abilities of our community members, providing a national example of operating business within a mission.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council extends a sincere thank you to the Women's Bean Project for its dedication and perseverance to provide services to women in need and develop the workforce of the Denver Metro Area.

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 Tamra Ryan, CEO of the Women's Bean Project.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL March 9, 2020

PRESIDENT