## Proclamation CP10-0553

Recognizing Alvin J. LaCabe, Jr. on the occasion of his retirement

## Introduced by Councilmember Montero

WHEREAS, Alvin J. LaCabe, "Al" Jr., Manager of Safety, leaves the City and County of Denver on June 30, 2010 after almost four decades of crime fighting and systemic criminal justice reform including seven years at the helm of the City's mammoth Department of Safety; and

WHEREAS, the Manager's extensive career is widely known and respected - ranging from working as a Parole Officer and Investigator in New Orleans to Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Colorado and Chief of the Narcotics and Violent Crime Section and the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force; and

WHEREAS, most recently, his career culminated in leading Denver's Department of Safety down the path of difficult, but crucial, reforms in disciplinary processes and innovative cultural shifts to improve diversity, fairness, consistency and accountability among the City's Safety Departments; and

**WHEREAS**, arguably one of the most effective Managers of Safety in the City's history due to his passion for justice and ability to inspire those at the top, the bottom, and in the middle, Manager LaCabe is also admired as a work horse who consistently put in 80 to 100 hours week - whatever it took to get the job done; and

**WHEREAS**, a devotee of the New Orleans Mardi Gras and knowledgeable jazz aficionado, colleagues say they will not just miss Al's leadership, but also the annual soirées to celebrate "The Big Easy"; and

**WHEREAS**, Al's "dapper" wardrobe and big-hearted personality resulted in a signature "LaCabe" style that will not soon be replicated in the Department of Safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Al -a gifted salsa dancer - now will have time to share his gifts with beloved wife, Grace.

## NOW THEREFORE,

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

**Section 1.** That the Council hereby expresses its sincere appreciation to Alvin J. LaCabe, Jr. for his dedicated and conscientious work on behalf of the City and County of Denver.

**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 Alvin J. LaCabe, Jr. and his family.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL_	2010
	PRESIDENT