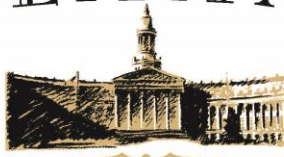


PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. 22-0244

Recognizing Mark Fleecs' contributions the City and County of Denver upon his retirement from the Denver Police Department

WHEREAS, Mark Fleecs joined the Denver Police Department in April 1991; and

WHEREAS, Commander Fleecs began his career building trust and collaboration with the Baker/La Alma Community under DPD's first community policing model; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as an Officer in the Weed & Seed Program from 1994-1997, Fleecs delivered over 1000 Christmas gifts to children in the Baker/La Alma community, organized several outdoor adventures such as biking, hiking and rafting trips for children and teens to build relationships that were maintained throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, Fleecs served as a lieutenant in the Front Range Task Force (FRTF) from 2007-2010 receiving recognition as the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region Task Force Commander of the Year. Under his leadership the FRTF was recognized as the HIDTA Region Task of the Year three times; and

WHEREAS, Fleecs partnered with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms to create the Denver Crime Gun Intelligence Center in 2013 to focus on the collection, management, and analysis of crime gun data from the NIBIN and eTrace systems. Under his leadership this program was essential to addressing gun crimes and contributing to the safety of the community. The program, the first in the Rock Mountain Region, serves as a national model to this day; and

WHEREAS, Mark has served as Commander of District 4 since 2015. During this period Command District 4 has been recognized by the Denver Police Department and Colorado Auto Theft Prevention Authority with crime reduction awards for significantly reducing auto thefts; and

WHEREAS, Under his leadership the District also received the Denver Police Innovation in Policing Award for their implementation of the Social Correlates Program; and

WHEREAS, The neighborhood of Westwood received a community-based crime reduction grant has put residents at the table to direct their vision of a safe community and Fleecs has been a visible and active supporter of resident-based solution building in Southwest Denver; and

WHEREAS, At every stage of his career Mark Fleecs has served the department and community in an extraordinary manner making friends and earning the respect of his peers and the community;

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

Section 1. That the council of the City and County of Denver honors Mark Fleecs for his service to the residents of the City and the countless contributions made to the Denver Police Department upon his retirement March 3, 2022.

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 a copy be provided to Commander Mark Fleecs.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL February 22, 2022

_____ PRESIDENT