

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. 19-1030 Commemorating the 25th Silver Anniversary of the Lowry Community

WHEREAS, from 1937 to 1994, Lowry Air Force Base, located on the eastern edge of the city of Denver, served primarily as a technical training center, graduating more than 1.1 million enlisted members and officers, and also temporarily serving as the home of the Air Force Academy; and

WHEREAS, from the 1980's, Lowry Air Force Base remained one of Colorado's largest employers, with approximately 10,000 military and civilian men and women, providing an economic impact approaching \$1 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, the Lowry Air Force Base closed on September 30, 1994, and allowed over 1,800 acres to be redeveloped into the master-planned, mixed-use community that is a thriving neighborhood in the City of Denver where more than 25,000 people live, work and go to school, proudly carrying on Lowry's legacy of "Sustaining the Wings;" and

WHEREAS, Lowry is an award-winning model of re-development which adhered to the principles of creating a community with: a full range of housing options for different lifestyles and incomes; a pedestrian-friendly environment; ample parks, open space, and recreation areas; careful attention to quality design and architecture of residential and commercial buildings, including re-purposing of historic Air Force Base buildings; and smart transportation options; and

WHEREAS, the rich sense of history in the Lowry community continues to be enjoyed as a result of the creation of two Historic Districts and the historic designation and preservation of many original Lowry Air Force Base structures, including two aircraft hangars, the Eisenhower Memorial Chapel, officer and enlisted living quarters; and

WHEREAS, Lowry is commemorating the 25th Silver Anniversary of the transition from the Lowry Air Force Base to the Lowry Community on Saturday, October 5th, 2019 at Wings Over the Rockies Air and Space Museum.

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

Section 1. The Council hereby commemorates the 25th Silver Anniversary of the Lowry Air Base closure and the birth of the Lowry neighborhood.

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 copies be transmitted to Lowry Community Master Association Board President, Joel Malecka, and Lowry Redevelopment Authority Executive Director, Monty Force.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 30, 2019

_____ PRESIDENT

_____ SPONSOR