

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. CP10-0511
Honoring Commander Deborah Dilley on the occasion of her retirement
Sponsored by Councilmember Montero

WHEREAS, Commander Deborah Dilley began her career with the Denver Police Department 26 years ago, during that time she has served in many assignments including Patrol, IAB, Crimes Against Persons Bureau, and the Office of the Division Chief of Technology and Support Services, in addition to serving as Commander in charge of the Bomb Squad, Helicopter Unit, and the department's Hostage Negotiation Unit; and

WHEREAS, Commander Dilley has served tirelessly the constituents of downtown Denver at Police District 6 station since September of 2003, where she has oversight of the Mounted Patrol Unit, SCAT Unit, All Weather Bike Patrol, Downtown Motorcycle Unit, and the District 6 Cop Shop; and

WHEREAS, Commander Dilley's keen leadership abilities and her natural astute safety sense has made her an effective and committed partner in dealing with public safety issues including drug dealing, homelessness, crimes against persons, and numerous special events including celebrations, protests, and demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, over the years Commander Dilley has been a pleasure to work with, she is intelligent and knowledgeable about the workings of the Police Department and the various crime issues impacting her district and while Commander Dilley is known for speaking her mind she is also a good listener to which the community members of her district can attest; and

WHEREAS, Commander Dilley has received 120 commendatory actions including a Distinguished Service Cross, a Merit Award, and numerous official commendations and Citizen Letters of Appreciation, and in 2006, she was selected as the department's "Commander of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Dilley's passion includes living and loving the western way of life which is exemplified through her work as a Board Member on the National Miss Rodeo America Scholarship Foundation where she has mentored young women to further their education to become tomorrow's future leaders; and

WHEREAS, Deborah's taste for wonderfully designed western apparel including a walk-in closet filled with an array of colorful cowboy boots as an expression of her "Mary Edwards Walker" frontier presence; and

WHEREAS, the City will miss her hard work and leadership, we will *especially* miss her ornery smile, calm demeanor, profound insight in difficult situations, and her ability to live her life as an expression of the principals she believes in.

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

Section 1. That Denver City Council hereby recognizes the Commander's years of service to keep Denver's citizens safe and thanks Commander Dilley for her professional and personal dedication to the City and County of Denver and on her retirement scheduled for July 3, 2010, she will leave a void that will be challenging to fill.

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 Commander Deborah Dilley.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL _____ 2010

PRESIDENT