

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. CP16-0352

Honoring Myrna Hipp for her Public Service and Declaring May 9 as Myrna Hipp Day

WHEREAS, Myrna Hipp moved to Denver in 1976, graduated cum laude from Metropolitan State College and lived and worked in Denver until she passed away on March 27, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Denver City Council wishes to recognize Myrna Hipp for her almost 25 years of service to the City of Denver and her dedication to providing affordable housing and community services to those in need; and

WHEREAS, Myrna served as the Deputy Director of the Office of Economic Development during Mayor John Hickenlooper's administration and as Director of Housing and Neighborhood Development Services under mayors Wellington E. Webb and Federico Peña; and

WHEREAS, Myrna was responsible for the implementation of Denver's affordable housing programs from the 1980s through the 2000s. She oversaw the city's investment of more than \$175 million in affordable housing development and preservation and more than \$50 million in other neighborhood improvement projects that Denver residents continue to benefit from; and

WHEREAS, Myrna served on the Denver Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for 12 years, providing vision and leadership to transformative redevelopments including the Villages at Curtis Park, Benedict Park Place, Mariposa District and Sun Valley transit oriented development planning; and

WHEREAS, Myrna accomplished these feats while providing love and support for her loving husband Ernest Hughes; her son, Rick Hipp; her daughter, Lisa Kostolansky and her brother, grandchildren, other family members, and friends throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the city would like to honor Myrna Hipp posthumously for her dedication to the City and her lifelong commitment to affordable housing and neighborhood services.

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

Section 1. That the Council of the City and County of Denver to acknowledge Myrna Hipp for her public service, declares Monday, May 9, as Myrna Hipp Day.

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 the family of Myrna Hipp.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL May 9, 2016

PRESIDENT