

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## **Proclamation No. 20-0999 Recognizing the Service of Jennifer Harris to the City of Denver**

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer Harris's service to the City of Denver began in May 1990 and continued through her retirement in May 2020 after 30 years of dedicated, passionate work and important leadership for the city; and

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer is a Denver native and 4<sup>th</sup> generation Coloradoan graduating from Manual High School and Colorado State University where she was a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and graduated with a BA in Social/Political Science; and

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer raised her two children Norman and Chelsea Harris in Denver and is the proud grandmother of two grandchildren Brenden and Emory Harris; and

**WHEREAS** Jennifer's professional roles at Stapleton and Denver International Airports included working as Assistant to the Deputy Director of Special Services, City Council Liaison for both airports, Assistant Manager of Maintenance and Administration, Assistant Director of Facility Maintenance, Assistant Director of Landslide Snow Removal Operations, Project Manager for baggage handling systems contract, and the ADA and Title VI programs Director; and

**WHEREAS**, in these positions she played an integral role in managing the most important operational aspects of the airport which has been an economic powerhouse and source of major growth for the entire region; and

**WHEREAS**, during her time working for Denver's airports Jennifer also held important leadership roles within the airport sphere and the Denver community to empower and represent minority, disability, and low-income communities and bridge her compassion with her work ethic within the industry. These roles include service on the Women for Education Board, designing and implementing DEN's annual Children's Holiday Party in conjunction with Denver Human Services and received the Mayor's 5281 award, implementing DEN's Wings for All Program, receiving the 2020 Federal Aviation Administration Civil Rights Advocate and Partner Award, recognition as DEN Employee of the Quarter, and Board member of The ARC of Colorado.

**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 recognizes Jennifer Harris and her work for the people of the City of Denver and service to her community during a career of major contributions to Denver's airports, helping make these vital economic and touristic entities world renowned.

**Section 2.** That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to Jennifer Harris

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 21, 2020

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PRESIDENT