

## Proclamation No. 23-0742 A Proclamation Recognizing Heather Lafferty and Her Service to Habitat Metro Denver

**WHEREAS,** Heather Lafferty is the definition of a selfless servant to the public good who has dedicated her career to advocating for affordable housing and the role it plays in improving lives – from health and well-being to education, happiness, safety and security; and

**WHEREAS,** Heather is active in Denver's community, serving as a Board Member of the Neighborhood Development Collaborative and serves on the boards or as an advisor to CU Denver Business School, Prodigy Ventures LLC, Prosper CO, Rose Community Foundation, Colorado Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Enterprise, and the national Homeownership Opportunities Alliance; and

**WHEREAS,** as a visionary, Heather is fueled by and asks those she leads: "how can we do more?" which has not only resulted in incredible impacts across Denver, but created ripple effects far beyond our city limits; and

**WHEREAS**, Heather made countless tangible and intangible differences in the lives of Denver families as a leader of Habitat for Humanity locally and nationally since 1999, including her role as CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver beginning in 2008; and

**WHEREAS,** under her leadership, Habitat Metro Denver quadrupled its housing production, achieving its highest capacity in decades, advocated for housing and racial equity policies, and mobilized tens of thousands of volunteers to serve more than 200 new households each year; and

**WHEREAS**, Heather's greatest and strongest asset is her dedication to and compassion for her community, attributed to her giving nature toward her own family and her desire to give other families a sense of stability for themselves and future generations.

## 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 applauds Heather Lafferty for her service to the people of Denver, congratulates her on her well-deserved break, and declares June 5 as Heather Lafferty Day in the City and County of Denver.

**Section 2.** That the Secretary of Council shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to Heather Lafferty.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL June 5, 2023

COUNCIL PRESIDENT