

Proclamation No. 17-0149 Celebrating the Denver Art Museum and their special Exhibit -Star Wars™ and the Power of Costume

WHEREAS, Denver recognizes the value of inspiring creativity and critical thinking in children and all residents; and

WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum shares and embodies this value by serving the Denver region year-round with family programming, performance opportunities, and school tours of its collections, as well as special exhibitions; and

WHEREAS, *Star Wars*[™] *and the Power of Costume* — an exhibition created by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service and the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art in consultation with Lucasfilm Ltd. — highlights and celebrates the creativity, artistry and craftsmanship that goes into every costume and the creation of every character; and

WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum is the sole venue in the Rocky Mountain region for *Star Wars*[™] and the Power of *Costume*, a unique journey into the Star Wars universe, bringing the iconic characters to life through a dramatic presentation of more than 70 original costumes from the films — from Princes Leia's famous white robe, Queen Amidala's elaborately detailed gowns, Chewbacca's giant feet, to Darth Vader's imposing black armor, and

WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum has taken this traveling costume exhibition and added additional costumes and more material to create an immersive experience exclusive to this Denver showing – including Emperor Palpatine's fingernails, costume sketches and studio spaces to provide more context to the process of creating *Star Wars*[™] costumes; and

WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum and its partners — including the Mountain Garrison of the 501st Legion, the Mandalorian Mercs Costume Club and the Rebel Legion Mountain Base— are "staying on target" to engage the public with costumes and creativity; and

WHEREAS, the possibility of successfully navigating the entire exhibit is approximately 5,280 to one; We have a good feeling about this.

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

Section 1. The Council hereby proclaims February 13 as Star Wars[™] Costumes Day in the City and County of Denver.

Section 2. The Council urges all families to now witness the power of these fully operational City sponsored cultural institutions by attending this exhibit and participating festivities which run through April 2, 2017.

Section 3. 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 the Denver Art Museum, the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, Lucas Museum of Narrative Arts, Lucasfilm Ltd., the Mountain Garrison of the 501st Legion, the Mandalorian Mercs Costume Club and the Rebel Legion Mountain Base. And may the Force be with you... always.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL February 13, 2017

PRESIDENT