

Proclamation No. 18-0416 Thanking MSU Denver Student Volunteers for Their Service

WHEREAS, the students from Metropolitan State University of Denver have volunteered their time and skills to the Denver community. Their hard work and expansive knowledge ensured that Denver community members paid their fair share of taxes and received tax benefits to which they were entitled; and

WHEREAS, more than 150 million people around the country are required to file a tax return with the Internal Revenue Service every year; and

WHEREAS, the tax filing process can be confusing and require high-cost professional knowledge; and

WHEREAS, accounting students from Metropolitan State University of Denver with support of the Piton Foundation have spent the last three months offering free tax services to low-income members of the Denver community. These students volunteered their time and knowledge to ensure that nearly 300 community members claim nearly \$500,000 in tax refunds at both the state and federal level; and

WHEREAS, these community members were provided, at no cost, an array of services including tax return preparation and review, tax planning advice, and tax issue resolution. All services were provided in a safe location with prompt service from IRS certified volunteers.

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 the skill, hard work, and dedication from the student volunteers from Metropolitan State University of Denver.

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 Robert Persichitte, Site Coordinator.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL April 23, 2018

ALBA PRESIDENT