

Proclamation No. 18-0562 Celebrating Armed Forces Day of Service

WHEREAS, for generations men and women have served in the Armed Forces of the United States throughout our nation's history courageously protecting freedom, liberty, and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, the first Armed Forces Day was celebrated on Saturday, May 20, 1950 to pay tribute to men and women who serve the United States' armed forces and to expand public awareness of the role of the military in civilian life; and

WHEREAS, many veterans return from active duty service and face challenges with re-entry into society including homelessness, and mental and physical health issues; and

WHEREAS, the Volunteers of America Bill Daniels Veteran Services Center recognizes veterans and their families who experience homelessness and hard times and through its Supportive Services for Veteran Families, Female Veteran Program, and partnerships with other veteranserving organizations across Colorado connects them to services and assistance.

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

Section 1. The Denver City Council proclaims the third Saturday in May, May 19, 2018, and every year thereafter is hereby known as the Armed Forces Day of Service for Veterans in appreciation of the selfless service of the men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States to our country.

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 delivered to the service committee members: E. J. Walton (Air Force), Garrett Bishop (Army), Paul Pazen (Marines), Doug Meyers (Navy), Gail Cagle (Air Force), Ron Roybal (Army), Patrick McCoy (Air Force), and Robert Buntz (Army).

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL May 14, 2018

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