

# PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

## **Proclamation No. CP16-0284 Proclaiming Chernobyl Commemoration Day**

**WHEREAS**, thirty years have passed since the nuclear explosion at Chernobyl in Ukraine; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 3.5 million inhabitants, including 1 million children, of the Chernobyl area were exposed to high levels of radiation; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Ukraine have struggled with the aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster with courage and perseverance; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans, Ukrainian-Americans and citizens in every nation must concentrate their efforts to prevent such a tragedy from occurring again by working for greater nuclear safety, governmental responsibility and citizenry vigilance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Denver-based Colorado Chapter of the Ukrainian Women's League of America will mark the 30th anniversary with a candlelight vigil in Cheesman Park at the Chernobyl Bench on April 23, 2016 at 4pm; and

**WHEREAS**, this international tragedy is one that deserves recognition for the day and more importantly for the people who experienced it.

**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 proclaims April 26, 2016 as Chernobyl Commemoration Day.

**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 transmitted to the Colorado Chapter of the Ukrainian Women's League of America.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL April 18, 2016

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PRESIDENT