

Proclamation No. 18-0988 Celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the Consulate General of México in Denver

WHEREAS, much of the State of Colorado was part of México until the Mexican American War and the subsequent ratification of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848 when the territory became part of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 1893, the Denver Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade requested the President of the United Mexican States, Porfirio Díaz, the appointment of a Mexican Consul to reside in the City of Denver in order to facilitate the transaction of the rapidly growing business and commerce with México; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 1893, President Porfirio Díaz appointed Mr. Casimiro Barela, for his many accomplishments including helping to author the Colorado Constitution, as Consul of the United Mexican States in Denver, Colorado. On November 10, 1893, Mr. Casimiro Barela was recognized as such by President Grover Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment 125 years ago, the Consulate General of México in Denver has had a preeminent role in furthering the economic, trade, social, and cultural links between México and Denver and the well being of Mexican citizens in Colorado.

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

Section 1. That the Denver City Council congratulates the Consulate General of México in Denver for its 125th anniversary.

Section 2. That the Denver City Council salutes the Consular General of Denver for their service in building bridges of understanding between Denver and México.

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 a copy be transmitted to the Consulate General of México in Denver.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 10, 2018

PRESIDENT

SPONSOR