

Proclamation No. 18-1017 A Proclamation Recognizing September as Workforce Development Month

WHEREAS, Colorado's GDP growth is one of the highest in the country and Denver is leading the economic boom with unemployment at record lows in the metro area; and

WHEREAS, workforce development is a direct and impactful way to leverage economic forces to improve equity and prosperity as our city grows; and

WHEREAS, workforce development meets the rising needs of industry and strengthens our economy by addressing a shortage of skilled workers; and

WHEREAS, collaboration between city, state, private sector, and community organizations is vital to the success of workforce development programs; and

WHEREAS, these entities should work together on outreach, resources, assessments, pre-employment assistance, apprenticeship training, and career development contacts; and

WHEREAS, when city projects are building Denver's physical landscape they should also be building job prospects and career options for Denver residents.

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 September as Workforce Development month and supports this month's mission to increase participation in Denver's workforce, improve career options, and meet the demand for workers.

Section 2. That job fairs, open houses, and workshops are held throughout the month to teach jobseekers employment skills and connect them with career opportunities. A full schedule of these events is available at denvergov.org/workforce.

Section 3. 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 the Workforce Development Board, and to the Community College of Denver who will share copies with the full CORE partnership.

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PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 17, 2018