

Proclamation No. CP20-0808 Honoring the Career and Service to the City of William "Pat" Kennedy

WHEREAS, the City and County of Denver and DOTI has been privileged to have the leadership and dedication of our resident pavement expert William "Pat" Kennedy, who is also known as the agency's version of a snow-rhyming Robert Frost, for more than 28 years; and

WHEREAS, Pat Kennedy has been a dedicated steward of the City's roadway infrastructure network within Capital Projects Management, Street Maintenance and the Office of Asset Management; and

WHEREAS, his diligent management of a nearly \$10 billion infrastructure network has provided the constituents of Denver with a quality transportation system; and

WHEREAS, Pat Kennedy has been dedicated to his family, coworkers, community, and citizens to the point they all wish they could clone another "Pat;" and

WHEREAS, some of the highlights of Pat Kennedy's career include: Formation of an Office of Asset Management to provide the residents of Denver with optimized management of publicly owned infrastructure elements in the public right of way; a leader in the industry serving on committees with American Public Works Association, Metropolitan Government Pavement Engineers Council, and Rocky Mountain West Pavement Preservation; completion of a major reconstruction of Tower Road including many bridge structures; major reconstruction of 17th Street in Lower Downtown; management of annual snow operations including a number of blizzards and major events; lead safety officer during a cadaver search through multiple landfill sites; management of operations for the Democratic National Convention in 2008; and operations with the Emergency Operations Center; and

WHEREAS, Pat Kennedy built his own home adding to the uniqueness of his neighborhood and legacy of someone who can do it all; who when asked to lead in the community, at the YMCA, national and local committees he answered the call; and

WHEREAS, Pat Kennedy has been reliable, constant, knowledgeable, and had a mind like a steel trap; a man you could eat and drink with, talk with, and fish with, because he was your friend, your pal, a really good chap; and **WHEREAS**, Pat Kennedy is a veteran, dedicated employee, mentor, friend, father, and spouse, and we hope he remains a beekeeper, chicken keeper, skier, amateur astronomer and weatherman as he putters around the house; and

WHEREAS, Pat Kennedy, whose hair and beard were red at the start of his career, has touched so many lives and is much grayer as he leaves us.

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 hereby recognizes and honors Pat Kennedy for his over 28 years of outstanding service to the citizens of Denver, his coworkers, and his community.

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 William "Pat" Kennedy.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL August 10, 2020

PRESIDENT PRESIDENT