

## Proclamation No. 21-0114 Recognizing the Extraordinary Career and Retirement of Lesley Thomas

**WHEREAS**, the City and County of Denver and DOTI has been privileged to have the leadership and dedication of our first female City Engineer, Lesley Thomas, who is also known as the agency's deputy manager and CEO of problem solving, for more than 30 years, and

**WHEREAS**, Lesley Thomas has been a dedicated steward of the City's vertical and horizontal infrastructure; including planning, design and building; and

**WHEREAS**, Lesley Thomas has celebrated the completion of dozens of critical infrastructure projects that have worked to improve travel safety and reliability, increase mobility, reduce flood risks and make Denver more sustainable and resilient; and

**WHEREAS**, Lesley Thomas has been dedicated to her family, coworkers, community, and citizens to the point they all wish they could clone another "LT;" and

**WHEREAS**, some of the highlights of Lesley Thomas' career include: 2008 National Democratic Convention, Justice Center Complex, completion of the Better Denver Bond Program, 39th Avenue Greenway, City Park Golf Course, Globeville Landing Park, 47th and York, Sanderson Gulch, Peoria Street Crossing, Convention Center, National Western Center, Brighton Blvd; and

**WHEREAS**, Lesley Thomas has collaborated with CDOT on major projects such as TRex, and Central 70; and

**WHEREAS**, Lesley Thomas has collaborated with RTD on major projects such as the West Line, G Line, A line and North Metro.

**WHEREAS**, Lesley Thomas has been a pioneer for women in the infrastructure industry, created a path for women leaders.

## 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 Lesley B. Thomas for her over 30 years of outstanding service to the citizens of Denver, her coworkers, and her 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 Lesley Thomas.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL February 1, 2021

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