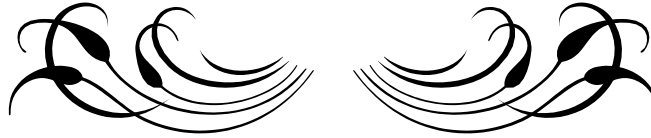


Office of the Mayor  
Commerce City, Colorado

# Proclamation



*WHEREAS, historic flooding occurred along Colorado's Front Range last September, forcing evacuations, causing property damage and taking lives; and*

*WHEREAS, Commerce City experienced unprecedented, 500-year rainfall, swelling creek beds and overwhelming drainage systems resulting in flooded neighborhoods, closure of parks, trails, and roadways, and Refuge damage that required resident evacuations; and*

*WHEREAS, numerous local, state, federal and nonprofit organizations addressed the immediate impacts of the disaster, resulting in no loss of life, structures or significant property damage within the city, and where these entities remained committed to supporting residents well after the water receded; and*

*WHEREAS, many cities and towns are still re-emerging from the \$2.9 billion disaster, where nine people died, more than 1,000 people were evacuated by helicopter, more than 1,800 homes destroyed and nearly 500 miles of roads were closed; and*

*WHEREAS, Colorado United ([www.coloradounited.com](http://www.coloradounited.com)) serves as the official clearinghouse for recovery information, offering resources and programs to those in need, opportunities to donate and volunteer, as well as tips to prepare for the next disaster.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of City Council, I hereby commemorate the anniversary of the September 2013 flood and encourage residents to take advantage of available resources.*

*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.*

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

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Sean Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Laura Bauer, CMC, City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_