

Proclamation

Honoring the Life and Legacy of Tom Clark

Whereas, Tom Clark was an extraordinary friend, mentor, and leader whose influence spanned the personal, professional, and political lives of countless individuals throughout our community and region; and,

Whereas, widely known as the "Godfather of Regionalism," Tom Clark was a tireless champion of integrity, honesty, and collaboration, building bridges across jurisdictions and uniting diverse stakeholders in pursuit of shared prosperity; and,

Whereas, in 1988, Tom played a pivotal role in forging the landmark agreement between Adams County Government and the City and County of Denver, which led to the creation of Denver International Airport, a transformative project that has served as a cornerstone of regional growth and international connectivity; and,

Whereas, in 2015, Tom again served as a vital connector between Adams County and Denver, strengthening intergovernmental relationships to advance the vision of an "aerotropolis" capable of positioning our region as a global economic competitor; and,

Whereas, in 2018, Tom was instrumental in helping Adams County secure a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) license for the Colorado Air and Space Port, a historic achievement that opened the door to aerospace innovation and future-oriented economic development; and,

Whereas, these examples represent only a fraction of Tom Clark's enduring legacy—one that continues to benefit our communities and will inspire generations to come; and,

Whereas, Adams County extends heartfelt gratitude to Donna Alengi for her generosity in sharing this remarkable man with our region, and we express our deep love and appreciation to both Donna and Tom.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Board of County Commissioners, of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, does hereby proclaim its deep appreciation and admiration for the life, work, and legacy of **Tom Clark**, and honors his extraordinary contributions to regional collaboration, economic development, and public service.

In witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed April 8, 2025.