Proclamation

40th Anniversary of the Colorado Springs St. Patrick's Day Parade

March 26, 2024

WHEREAS, the St. Patrick's Day Parade has been a proud tradition in Colorado Springs

since 1984; and

WHEREAS, the parade has been organized by John and Carol O'Donnell every year for

the last forty years in efforts to bring the spirit of St. Patrick's Day to Colorado

Springs; and

WHEREAS, the parade includes over 100 entries and draws over 30,000 people to the

event' and

WHEREAS, festivities now also include the Leprechaun 5K & Fun Run, Pedalin' St. Pat's

Bike Rides and the hunt for Leprechaun Lenny; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs is grateful for the effort and dedication of John

and Carol O'Donnell for the past four decades to ensure that the St. Patrick's Day Parade happens annually and looks forward to the next forty years of

successful parades.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Randy Helms, President of the Colorado Springs City Council, and I,

Yemi Mobolade, Mayor of Colorado Springs, do hereby proclaim the 26th

day of March as the

40th Anniversary of the Colorado Springs St. Patrick's Day Parade

in Colorado Springs and urge all citizens to recognize this observance

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Colorado Springs to be affixed this 26th day of March 2024.

Randy Helms, President Colorado Springs City Council

Blessing "Yemi" Mobolade, Mayor City of Colorado Springs