Proclamation Recognizing the Retirement of Edith 'Edi' Anderson

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of El Paso County, Colorado hereby acknowledges the retirement of Edi Anderson following her stellar service to the citizens of El Paso County; and

WHEREAS, friends and family of Ms. Anderson describe her warm and welcoming personality, her natural curiosity and desire to problem solve, her stalwart commitment to ethics, and her willingness to never shy away from a challenge, which all began for her growing up on a farm in Minnesota where she learned the value of hard work; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of pursuing hard work, Ms. Anderson went on to receive a B.A. in Human Services from the University of Minnesota and an A.A.S. in the Legal Assistant Program at Inver Hills Community College; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson began her career in Minnesota as a Coordinator of Children's Programs at a Domestic Violence Shelter and worked for many years as a procurement subcontractor for Moore Business systems before joining the legal profession; and

WHEREAS,
Ms. Anderson subsequently began her legal career as a paralegal at the Carver County Attorney's Office in Minnesota, where she was well liked by her colleagues and known to be adept at civil litigation and case management support; and

WHEREAS,

Ms. Anderson continued her legal career when relocating to Colorado in 2001 by serving the public at the 18th Judicial District Attorney's Office in Englewood. She then joined the El Paso County Attorney's Office in 2002 where she quickly became known as a talented and knowledgeable paralegal; and

whereas, as a result of her technical skills, experience, and legal acumen, in 2013 Ms. Anderson was promoted to the Legal Office Administrator where her diverse duties included complex planning department matters, executive assistance to the El Paso County Attorney, supervision and mentorship of over fifteen (15) paralegals, all while providing world class legal support to the attorneys in her office; and

WHEREAS,
Ms. Anderson attained an Advanced Certified Paralegal (ACP) designation in 2014 through the National Association of Legal Assistants rigorous testing and received her Society of Human Resources Professionals (SHRM-CP) Certification in 2021, of which professional certifications are widely sought after and highly respected in the legal profession; and

whereas, throughout Ms. Anderson's extensive career with the County Attorney's Office, she has provided direct support to numerous projects, to include major real estate transactions, acquisition of parks and open space, conservation easements, water reviews, multiple road projects, and litigation support, among many other accomplishments and contributions; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson's work has greatly improved the quality of life of the residents of El Paso County, her work is appreciated by those who enjoy one of the many parks and open spaces, drive smoothly on an upgraded roadway, or appreciate public artwork at one of the county facilities, Ms. Anderson has had a role to play in all of it; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson's leadership in El Paso County has been described as humble, supportive, hilarious, gentle, accepting, witty, and unassuming. She has made it a goal to pass along as much knowledge as she is able as she mentors many paralegals and is greatly invested in the people she works with and serves: and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson's colleagues in the County Attorney's Office will significantly miss Edi and her leadership, kindness and calm spirit and enthusiastically congratulate Edi on her retirement and send their best wishes to both Edi and her husband as they embark on a new journey.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of El Paso County, Colorado, hereby proclaims its gratitude for Edi Anderson's many years of dedicated public service and expresses its best wishes to Edi and her beloved husband Patrick as she retires from El Paso County as the County Attorney's Office Legal Office Administrator.

DONE THIS 25th day of October 2022 at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

	THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO
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