

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *The Southwest Improvement Council Inc. (SWIC) is a non-profit corporation formed in 1987 that offers health and human services in Southwest Denver; and*

WHEREAS, *SWIC's Health and Human Service Program includes the establishment of a weekly food basket program that provides nutritious food to more than 200 families per week who are at risk for hunger and malnutrition; and*

WHEREAS, *During the past five Thanksgiving seasons SWIC has expanded the scope of their food basket program to include holiday baskets for Denver individuals and families who are in need; and*

WHEREAS, *Each of the holiday baskets distributed includes a turkey, yams, corn bread mix, and all the trimmings, for a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for a family of eight and will be distributed on November 20, 2009 at SWIC's Westwood Community Center at the 1000 block of South Lowell Boulevard; and*

WHEREAS, *The funds to purchase the foods SWIC gives away to families in need comes from various foundations, corporations, faith-based communities, and individuals whose donations, time, and acts of kindness help make this event a success.*

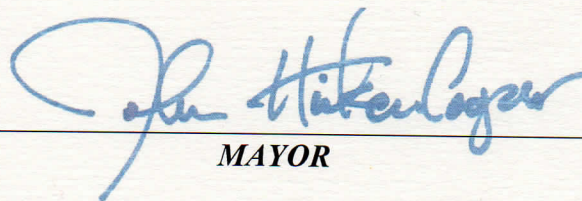
WHEREAS, *On behalf of the citizens of Denver I extend sincere congratulations as we proudly honor SWIC for their community leadership, generous gifts, and caring service to the southwest Denver community.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN W. HICKENLOOPER, MAYOR of the City and County of Denver, Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby officially proclaim November 20, 2009 to be known as:

"SWIC HOLIDAY FOOD BASKET DAY"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City and County of Denver to be affixed this 20th day of November, 2009.*




MAYOR