

TO: ALL CCOERA MEMBER EMPLOYER LEADERSHIP
FROM: MARV TUTTLE, INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
RE: CCOERA's 50th ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION FROM GOV. HICKENLOOPER
DATE: JULY 31, 2018

Late last week, CCOERA was notified that Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper had signed a ceremonial proclamation recognizing today, July 31, as Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association (CCOERA) Day. In the announcement, Gov. Hickenlooper recognizes the 50 years of service and partnership that CCOERA has developed and maintained with Colorado counties, municipalities and special districts since its creation and founding through Colorado state statute in July of 1968. Today, CCOERA is honored to share this recognition with its 220 member employers and 24,000 plus participants.

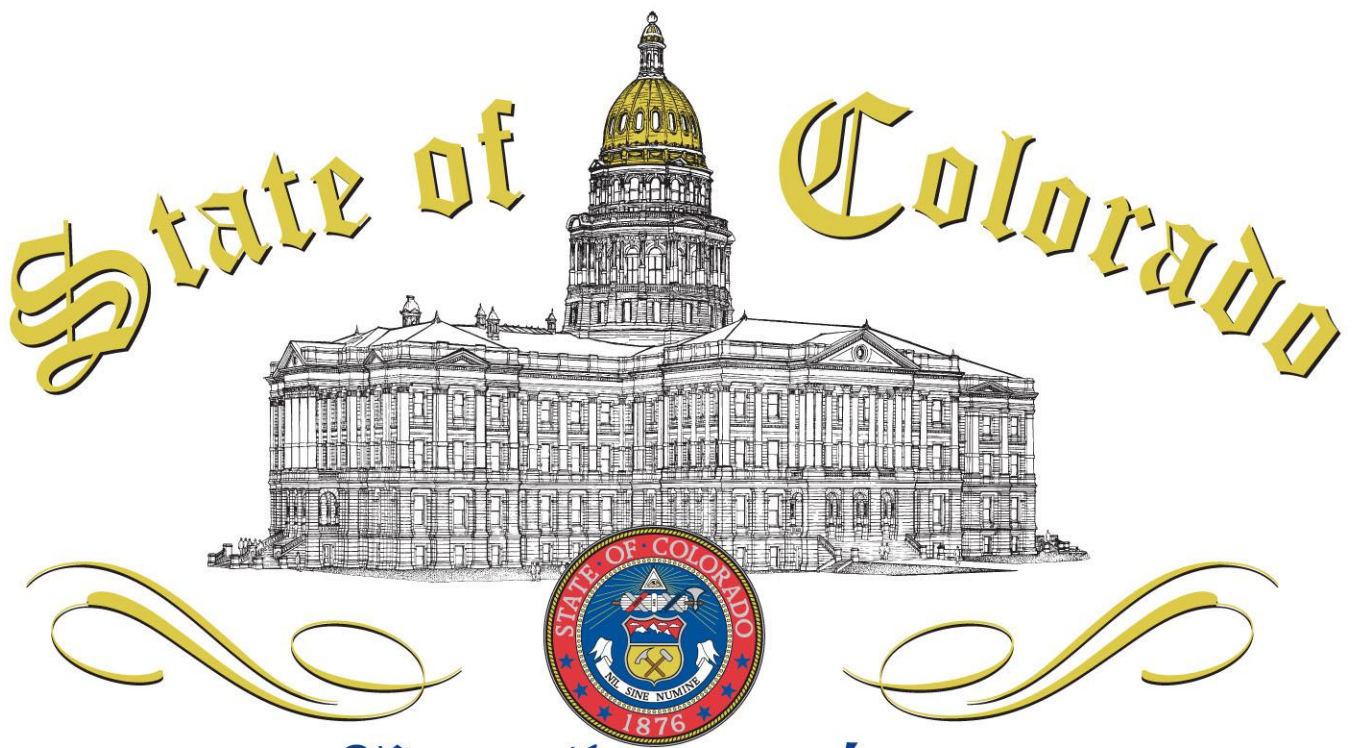
I have attached the proclamation for your review and future use. If your specific entity has the opportunity to issue the proclamation or a similar version through appropriate and normal channels, we would appreciate your assistance. Together, we have achieved significant accomplishments and milestones over the past 50 years to provide well structured and administered retirement plans to thousands of Coloradoans seeking security and peace of mind in their later years of life.

Please also take time to review "The CCOERA Story", which provides a high-level overview of the 50-year history, growth, special events and unique advantages of what CCOERA brings and offers, as a non-profit association, to all Colorado counties, municipalities and special districts.

There is more to come in future weeks and months on CCOERA's 50th anniversary celebration. If you should have any questions or recommendations for future activities, please don't hesitate to contact me at 720.493.5601 or Tom Krushensky, CFP, director of client services at 720.493.5604.

Thank you again for your continued commitment and support of CCOERA.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Marv Tuttle", with a horizontal line underneath.



Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1966, Fritz Schneider, longtime executive secretary and legal counsel for the Colorado Association of County Commissioners, drafted legislation enabling counties to form an association to provide retirement plans for County officials and county employees; and

WHEREAS, in November, 1967, Fritz Schneider and Colorado State Senator Joe Shoemaker held a series of meetings with county commissioners from twelve Colorado counties to create a framework for a retirement plan designed to serve Colorado counties and their employees; and

WHEREAS, in January 1968, the above so mentioned parties designed and established a plan written for the benefit of their employees that was reliable, free of risk from unfunded liabilities, owned by the employees, and that County Commissioners could annually budget for their share; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1968, the Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association (CCOERA) began operations with its founding twelve county members and their employees; and

WHEREAS, in 1969 and 1974 the Colorado Legislature granted additional authority to the Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association (CCOERA) to provide retirement plan services to Colorado special districts and Colorado municipalities respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association's original mission was to provide "the best retirement plans, products and services at the lowest possible cost" to Colorado elected officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, today, more than two-hundred and twenty employers and twenty-four thousand individual participants are benefiting from the original vision of the founding county officials through their participation in CCOERA; and

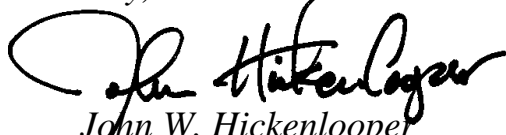
WHEREAS, personal visits and group meetings are now conducted by CCOERA's five Certified Retirement Counselors - traveling close to 70,000 miles in 2017, conducting 343 group meetings with 5,085 attendees and providing individual counseling to 5,368 CCOERA participants; and

WHEREAS, CCOERA is now known for offering the best of both high-tech and high-touch service, allowing participants to not only access their accounts 24/7 through a state-of-the-art website, but also take advantage of its educational meetings, individual retirement and investment counseling and Call Center representatives;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, July 31, 2018, as

COLORADO COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION DAY
in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this thirty-first day of July, 2018


John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

