EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 119

TO: All City Agencies

FROM: Wellington E. Webb
      MAYOR

DATE: November 12, 2002

SUBJECT: IDENTIFICATION CARDS ISSUED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

PURPOSE: This Executive Order establishes the policy of the City and County of Denver concerning the recognition of identification cards issued by the Mexican and other foreign consulates.

1.0 Applicable Authority: The applicable authority relevant to the provisions of this Executive Order No.119 is found in section 2.2.10 of the 2002 Revised Charter.

2.0 Responsible Authority: Mayor's Office.

3.0 General: The City believes that foreign nationals, regardless of their immigration status, must have verifiable identification in order to enhance their contact with law enforcement and to provide them with the ability to carry out daily commerce activities. Recognition of these consular identification cards is for identification purposes only and does not establish an individual's legal status in this country or specifically allow them entitlement to status or services under the authority of other jurisdictions.

4.0 Process for Accepting Consular Identification: All City departments/agencies in the normal course of their operations and interactions with the public are authorized to accept, for identification purposes, identification cards issued by the Consulate of Mexico known as "Matricula Consular" or other consular identification cards issued by other Consulate offices. The Consular Identification Cards will bear a photograph of the person, their date of birth and their local address.

The Consulate offices located in the City and County of Denver must provide a detailed explanation of the process required for the issuance of such identification card and the anti-fraud features that have been implemented to insure the validity of such identification card prior to the City and County of Denver accepting for identification the "Matricula Consular" or other consular identification cards.
5.0 **Exceptions:** The requirements of this Executive Order do not apply under circumstances where:

- **a.** A federal or state statute, administrative regulation or directive, or court decision require the City to obtain different requirements.

- **b.** A federal or state statute or administrative regulation or directive, preempts local regulation of identification requirements.

- **c.** Departments/Agencies require additional information to enable the agency to fulfill their responsibilities.

- **d.** Departments/Agencies need to request additional information in order to verify a current address or other facts that would enable it to fulfill its responsibilities.

- **e.** Any Department/Agency has reasonable grounds to believe that the identification card provided by an individual is counterfeit, altered, improperly issued to the cardholder, or otherwise not an accurate identification.

- **f.** Departments/Agencies require fingerprints from individuals for additional identification.

6.0 **Memorandum Attachments:** The procedure(s) for implementing this Executive Order, shall be defined by Memorandum Attachments to the Executive Order which shall become a part of the Executive Order. Further the City Attorney's Office, which is responsible for the content of this Executive Order, shall have the authority to issue procedural Memorandum attachments relative to this Executive Order.
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