



WHEREAS, the Ellie Caulkins Opera House is celebrating 20 years of expanding access to the arts and serving as a welcoming cultural home for communities across Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Ellie Caulkins is recognized as a visionary philanthropist and arts advocate whose leadership and generosity have profoundly shaped Colorado’s cultural landscape and supported the vitality of the performing arts; and

WHEREAS, the Ellie Caulkins Opera House stands as a treasured symbol of artistic excellence and civic pride in the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Ellie Caulkins Opera House and Opera Colorado celebrate the transformative power of the performing arts by increasing public access to music, storytelling, and shared cultural experiences; and

WHEREAS, the arts contribute significantly to Colorado’s economy, education, and quality of life, inspiring creativity, connection, and understanding among all Coloradans;

THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim February 27, 2026, as

**ELLIE CAULKINS OPERA DAY**

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-seventh day of February, 2026



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

Jared Polis  
Governor