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Hancock pays off Broncos-Patriots bet with 'Tebow tenderloins'

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Denver Mayor [Michael Hancock](#) on Sunday made good on a wager with the mayor of Boston over the outcome of Saturday's Denver Broncos - [New England Patriots](#) playoff game with a shipment of Colorado beef.

Hancock shipped a 40-pound combination pack of what he called "some of Colorado's finest homegrown beef" from Arvada-based Ralston Valley Beef to Boston Mayor [Tom Menino](#).

The shipment included "Tebow tenderloins" in honor of Broncos quarterback [Tim Tebow](#).

The two mayors placed the usual friendly bet over the game's outcome. The Broncos lost to the Patriots in a 45-10 blowout, ending the Denver [National Football League](#) club's season. The Patriots will play the [Baltimore Ravens](#) in the AFC championship game next weekend.

Hancock, as agreed, also wore Patriots quarterback [Tom Brady](#)'s No. 12 jersey in public, donning the victorious signal caller's shirt at halftime at the [Denver Nuggets](#) game Sunday.

"As a stalwart Broncos fan, it was certainly not easy to put on that jersey, but it was well worth the wager to support such an outstanding season," Hancock said in a statement. "The City of Denver was proud to come together to support our team. The Broncos gave us an exciting season and a dramatic playoff victory, and we can't wait for next season."

Hancock said he hopes that Boston's mayor "shares this unbelievable dinner so people in Boston will know why Colorado's beef is some of the best in the nation. Just like our beer."

The latter comment was a reference to Menino's recent critical remarks about Colorado beer -- remarks [rebuffed in a blog post by Denver Business Journal reporter \(and beer expert\) Ed Sealover](#).

The Broncos finished the season at 9-9, including playoff games, improving on their 4-12 record the previous season.

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