

WHEREAS, Following the passage of the Federal Economic Opportunity Act into law on August 20, 1964, the United States Office of Economic Opportunity began awarding contracts to establish vocational-training centers; and

WHEREAS, By the mid-1960s Texas had established one of each of the three types of centers; an urban center for men, an urban center for women, and a rural center for men; and

WHEREAS,
On December 16, 1964 the Texas Educational Foundation, Incorporated, a private, nonprofit Texas Corporation, was awarded their first contract to establish the Gary Job Corps Training Center in San Marcos, TX. In June 1966 this foundation was awarded a second contract to establish the McKinney Job Corps Center for Women. The name of McKinney Job Corps Center for Women was changed to McKinney Job Corps in 1976 when nationally Job Corps became coed. The name was later changed to the current name North Texas Job Corps; and

WHEREAS, The North Texas Job Corps is a member of the Texas Job Corps Coalition comprised of the following Texas Job Corps Centers: Gary Job Corps (San Marcos, TX); Laredo Job Corps (Laredo, TX); and the David L. Carrasco Job Corps (El Paso, TX); and

WHEREAS, The North Texas Job Corps has been a major employer in our community. Employing at least 12,500 staff during its 50 year history who have touched the lives of the thousands of young men and women who have enrolled and trained at the North Texas Job Corps; and

WHEREAS,

Over the course of 50 years, at least 41,300 at-risk youth have been forever changed by the North Texas Job Corps career technical training, academic, and residential programs. These young men and women train and earn industry-recognized credentials and they are empowered through Career Success Standards to obtain and hold a job, enroll in advanced training, attend college, or enter the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, The North Texas Job Corps has contributed significantly to the growth and development of the local community by turning over three times its budgeted and allocated funds into the local economy; and

WHEREAS, The North Texas Job Corps also contributes to the significant economic gain that is also made from funds invested in dropout recovery by increasing employment and raising individual earnings and tax revenues while simultaneously reducing public expenditures associated with health care, crime, and other social services; and

WHEREAS, It is timely and appropriate that McKinney, TX celebrate one of our city's long time employers and youth training providers for its many accomplishments over 50 years helping to strengthen our local economy, our local community and improving the quality of thousands of lives.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN LOUGHMILLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE 27, 2016 AS

## CELEBRATE NORTH TEXAS JOB CORPS 50TH ANNIVERSARY, 1966-2016

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 21st DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

ATTEST:

Sandy Hart, City/Secretary

Brian Loughmiller, Mayor