



City of McKinney Proclamation

WHEREAS, Dr. Taysir Jarrah and his wife Hind came to the United States in 1975 for his cardiology fellowship and her graduate studies; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jarrah graduated from the American University, completed his residency in Cardiology at the American University Hospital, and fellowship at Southwestern Medical School at Methodist Hospital in Dallas, Texas; and

WHEREAS, after visiting many North Texas communities, in 1978 Dr. Jarrah and his wife moved to McKinney, Texas – for its warm and welcoming people, and the small-town atmosphere and charm – made a home and raised their family here; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jarrah became the first Cardiologist to work in this city, originally officed at Collin Memorial Hospital on University Drive (the current location of Winco Grocery Store), being the first in the city to refer patients for heart transplant surgeries in the early 1980's with those patients going on to do very well and live long, healthy lives; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jarrah later moved across the street into the medical complex known as the Quadrangle (at University Drive and Graces Street), joining several other doctors and Mr. George Webb, owner of North Side Drug, and he has officed at that location, growing his practice ever since; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jarrah continued to learn and research, introducing new technology, training, and cardiovascular equipment, his knowledge and practice contributing to the quality of life for citizens of McKinney and surrounding areas for over four decades; and

WHEREAS, known for ensuring that each of his surgical patients were checked on every day and properly cared for, Dr. Jarrah could oftentimes be found keeping late hours at the hospital, no matter how long it took; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jarrah is happiest when taking care of others - with a calm demeanor and bedside manner, he has been constantly available and has helped multiple generations of families, caring for patients while addressing their needs and concerns along the way; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jarrah will retire on February 28, 2021, and he will be dearly missed by many.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 28, 2021 AS

DR. TAYSIR JARRAH

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR HIS EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THIS COMMUNITY AND WISHING HIM WELL IN RETIREMENT.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary