



City of McKinney

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,* on November 30, 2015, Officer Messner serving as a School Resource Officer, was out front of Evans Middle School doing a morning traffic detail at the crosswalk for her campus Principal, Mr. Todd Young; and
- WHEREAS,* Officer Messner was crossing students as she saw a vehicle entering the carpool line drive up on the curb near the gym, Officer Messner told the children walking near the gym to run and get out of the car's path; and
- WHEREAS,* when Officer Messner noticed that the driver had passed out and was not responding, she ran to the vehicle and attempted to get the kids out of the way and was able to jump through the driver's side open window and turn the steering wheel towards the street to avoid the children in the crosswalk and parked cars in the handicap area; and
- WHEREAS,* Officer Messner got to the floorboard and was attempting to hit the brake when the female began coming to and pressed the gas pedal. Officer Messner was dragged approximately 10 feet before she was able to hit the brake with her hand and was able to stop the vehicle; and
- WHEREAS,* Officer Messner has dedicated over nine years of unselfish service to the citizens of McKinney and through Officer Messner's work with the children of McKinney, she is affectionately referred to as "Officer Mo"; and
- WHEREAS,* Officer Messner exemplifies the mission of the McKinney Police Department: "living a good life in McKinney means feeling safe at home, at work and at play, so we take your safety seriously. We are committed to providing professional and effective police services so all citizens and visitors can enjoy everything McKinney has to offer", and
- WHEREAS,* the City of McKinney wishes to recognize the heroic actions of Officer "Mo" Messner who went above and beyond to protect and safeguard the students at Evans Middle School.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN LOUGHMILLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM JANUARY 5, 2016 AS

OFFICER MAUREEN "MO" MESSNER DAY

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, AND I ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION TO THIS OUTSTANDING POLICE OFFICER.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 5TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2016.

ATTEST:

Brian Loughmiller, Mayor

Sandy Hart, City Secretary