



**WHEREAS,** in 2001 the Interagency Council on Homelessness issued a call for cities and counties throughout the United States to develop plans to end homelessness and shortly thereafter the Collin County Homeless Coalition was formed; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of McKinney, Texas, is a participant under the Homeless Coalition which includes the Cities of Allen, Frisco, Plano, and Wylie, Texas; nonprofits, faith-based organizations, students, businesses, and concerned citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** members of the Homeless Coalition will host community events throughout Collin County to raise awareness and offer residents an opportunity to share their compassion with those experiencing food and shelter insecurities; and

**WHEREAS,** the City is also a member of the McKinney Hunger Free Coalition, a group of concerned nonprofits, faith-based organizations and others answering the call to feed more children. It is estimated that more 9,000 children in our community go without food in the summer. Efforts are underway to develop a summer feeding program to eliminate this level of food insecurity.

**WHEREAS,** the City of McKinney, Texas, encourages efforts of the Homeless Coalition and the Hunger Free Coalition, to foster understanding, advocacy, and collaborative services; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of McKinney, Texas, is thankful for those who donate their time and resources to those less fortunate; and

**WHEREAS,** we acknowledge and understand the difficulty and loneliness of those without a home and living in poverty, and encourage the public to become involved in efforts to end homeless and hunger in our community; and

**WHEREAS,** National Hunger & Homeless Awareness Week, is held annually the week before Thanksgiving, to effectively remind us to take action on the important issues of hunger and homelessness.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 16-24, 2019 AS**

## **McKINNEY HUNGER AND HOMELESS AWARENESS WEEK**

THROUGHOUT THIS CITY, AND URGE ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF MCKINNEY TO HEED THE IMPORTANT MESSAGES OF HUNGER & HOMELESS AWARENESS WEEK, AND TO SUPPORT THE MANY ACTIVITIES AND EFFORTS OF THE COLLIN COUNTY HOMELESS COALITION, THE MCKINNEY HUNGER FREE COALITION, AND THE MCKINNEY HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.**

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GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary