



WHEREAS, the City of McKinney, Texas recognizes Parks & Recreation programs and facilities are an integral part of communities across the United States, and particularly, their value to the City of McKinney; and

WHEREAS, parks & recreation programs and activities are vital to establishing and maintaining the quality of life, ensuring the health of citizens, and contributes to the economic and environmental well-being of McKinney and the region; and,

WHEREAS, McKinney Parks & Recreation offers a variety of opportunities designed for all ages and interests, including popular recreation and athletics, special community events, senior activities, tennis and aquatic programs, arts and cultural activities, and volunteer opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, recreation opportunities build family unity, strengthens neighborhood involvement, provides for social interaction, enhances education, develops creativity, and promotes cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, increases McKinney's economic prosperity by offering increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, and attraction and retention of businesses; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1985, Americans have celebrated National Park & Recreation Month during the month of July to recognize the importance of parks and recreation in establishing and maintaining the quality of life for, and contributing to the physical, economic and environmental well-being of communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Fuller, Mayor of the City of McKinney, Texas do hereby proclaim the month of July, 2019 as **PARKS & RECREATION MONTH** in the City of McKinney, Texas, encouraging residents and visitors to enjoy using the parks, trails, and programs that enhance the quality of life in our community.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 16th DAY OF JULY, 2019

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary