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October 6, 2020

Planning and Zoning  
City of McKinney  
McKinney, Texas

**Re: Letter of Intent  
Zoning Change Request  
The Salvation Army  
600 Wilson Creek Parkway  
McKinney, TX 75069**

To Whom It May Concern:

The Salvation Army McKinney Corps is requesting to amend the current zoning and special use permit of our facility. The purpose of our petition is to allow our facility to serve as an Emergency Overnight Warming Station during extreme cold weather conditions. This zoning amendment will provide a life-saving service to the City of McKinney, specifically for those individuals who, due to the lack of housing, may find themselves at risk for loss of life or illness due to freezing weather temperatures.

**Key Points of Consideration**

- For the past several years, The Salvation Army has been successfully providing similar services in cities like Plano, Arlington and Irving. The services were implemented in collaboration with municipal authorities, first responders and community volunteers. The initiative provides a warm place for homeless individuals to shelter during freezing weather.
- In 2018, with the primary hope to meet the need for those who may find themselves at a higher risk of mortality due to freezing weather exposure, the Collin County Homeless Coalition (“CCHC”) approached The Salvation Army about creating a collaboration with faith-based entities to serve this need better.
- For the past two years, this collaboration has resulted in providing shelter to 351 individuals over 44 nights and provided beds and nights of relief from freezing weather at The Salvation Army facilities in Plano.
- Cold weather events are greatly magnified with the presence of rain and wind, even at a 40° temperature.
- The Salvation Army is requesting approval to amend our current zoning and specific use permit to allow our facility located at 600 Wilson Creek Prwy. McKinney, TX 75069 to operate the Emergency Overnight Warming Station whenever the temperatures are 40° or lower.

The Salvation Army McKinney Corps  
Major David Feeser