

- WHEREAS, the City of McKinney recognizes parks and recreation programs and facilities are an integral part of communities across the United States, and in particular, their value to the City of McKinney; and
- WHEREAS, the 2017 Parks, Recreation, Open Space, Trails and Streetscape Master Plan provides direction on parkland needs and implementation strategies for the next 10 years and beyond in order to improve and maintain the quality of life in McKinney and the region; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Master Plan identified the formation of a private, non-profit Parks Foundation to serve as a strategic partner to amplify our efforts and achieve broader impacts within our parks system; and
- WHEREAS, the McKinney Parks Foundation was established in 2017 to support the beautification and maintenance of our parks and open spaces, promote community involvement, secure funds and grants, and provide education about the wonderful natural spaces in our city; and
- WHEREAS, the McKinney Parks Foundation presently supports the McKinney Parks & Recreation Department for many basic needs such as trail maintenance and parks clean-up days resulting in nearly 150-volunteer hours to date; and
- WHEREAS, the McKinney Parks Foundation Board of Directors is comprised of McKinney residents who have served on the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Board, a Master Naturalist, a licensed professional engineer, and others who have a keen interest in community involvement and enhancing the quality of life in McKinney.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 5, 2019 AS

## "McKINNEY PARKS FOUNDATION DAY"

IN THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, AND ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TO CONTACT THE MCKINNEY PARKS FOUNDATION TO LEARN HOW YOU CAN HELP ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

ATTEST:	GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor
EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary	