WHEREAS, Severe Weather Awareness Week is observed by the City of McKinney and the National Weather Service to promote preparedness for severe weather hazards affecting North Texas; and

WHEREAS, March marks the start of severe weather season in North Texas, increasing the likelihood of tornados, large hail, lightning, damaging winds, and flash flooding; and

WHEREAS, proactive planning before severe weather strikes is essential to strengthening community resilience and ensuring a quicker recovery towards normalcy; and

WHEREAS, programs such as the *KnoWhat2Do!* public education campaign and McKinney's Community Emergency Response Team equip individuals and families with the knowledge and skills to stay safe before, during, and after severe weather events; and

WHEREAS, all McKinney residents are encouraged to prioritize severe weather preparedness by engaging in family discussions, creating emergency plans, and utilizing resources available on the City of McKinney website and social media pages.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL COX, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 2-6, 2026, AS

SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY, MARCH 3, 2026.

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BILL COX, Mayor

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary

City of McKinney
Collin County, Texas