



**WHEREAS**, the month of May is “National Military Appreciation Month,” acknowledging all Armed Forces of the United States, honoring past and present military members and their families, and commemorating Loyalty Day, Public Service Recognition Week, Armed Forces Day, Military Spouse Appreciation Day, and Memorial Day; and

**WHEREAS**,

- ★ the **ARMY** provides ground forces of protection,
- ★ the **NAVY** is the forward-deployed force above and below the water – a major deterrent to aggression,
- ★ the **MARINE CORPS** maintains amphibious and ground units for contingency and combat operations,
- ★ the **AIR FORCE** provides rapid, flexible air and space capability delivering forces anywhere in the world,
- ★ the **SPACE FORCE** provides protection in space and provides space support to the joint forces,
- ★ the **COAST GUARD** provides law and maritime safety enforcement, marine and environmental protection, and military naval support, and
- ★ the **ARMY AND AIR NATIONAL GUARDS** are reserve components that support combat missions, domestic emergencies, humanitarian efforts, and homeland security operations; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to show awareness of and appreciation for the services and sacrifices by our Armed Forces, for their defense and preservation of the Constitution, freedoms, and liberties of the United States of America.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL COX, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY 2026, AS**

## MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH

**IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MAY 2026.**

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BILL COX, Mayor

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary