

- WHEREAS, the City of McKinney values small businesses as they are the engine of our economy, and the heart and soul of our community; and
- *WHEREAS,* the City of McKinney is home to a thriving community of small businesses, numbering over 5,500 establishments under 20 employees, which serve as the foundation of our local economy; and
- **WHEREAS,** in Downtown McKinney, there are more than 180 unique shops and over two dozen restaurants providing a unique experiential destination unlike any other in North Texas for residents and visitors alike; and
- WHEREAS, Small businesses provide valuable goods and services, create job opportunities, and foster a sense of community pride and identity; and
- *WHEREAS,* Small Business Week is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the contributions of small businesses to our local economy and community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MAY 4-10, 2025 AS

NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, URGING ALL RESIDENTS TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE AMERICAN ECONOMY, CONTINUE SUPPORTING THEM, AND HONOR THIS OCCASION BY CONTINUING TO SHOP LOCAL.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2025.

GEORGE FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary