



WHEREAS, National Travel and Tourism Week is an annual tradition for the U.S. travel community when travel and tourism professionals across the country unite to celebrate the impact that travel has on our economy, businesses, communities, and personal well-being.

WHEREAS, the past two years have been the hardest the travel industry has ever faced with lengthy closures, record job loss, difficulty rehiring, and uncertainty and anxiety, life without travel and in-person connections was hard. For this reason, the travel industry is setting our eyes on the future—the #FutureOfTravel.

WHEREAS, travel is an essential economic driver for businesses and communities across our country and the future of travel is helping facilitate our recovery.

WHEREAS, before the pandemic, travel generated \$2.6 trillion in economic output, supported 17 million American jobs, and delivered a \$51 billion trade surplus to the U.S., it is clear the critical role the industry will play in driving America's recovery.

WHEREAS, in 2021 McKinney tourism contributed \$10.1 million in local taxes, 2100 local jobs in tourism and hospitality, and \$220 million in direct travel spending by visitors to McKinney, putting roughly \$400 back into every household budget, and being equivalent to hiring 250 police officers or 270 firefighters.

WHEREAS, this National Travel and Tourism Week (May 1-7, 2022), Visit McKinney recognizes the Future of Travel and the critical role our industry will play in rebuilding our local economy, fostering sustainability, ushering in new innovations, and reconnecting Americans to each other and the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM May 1-7, 2022 AS

National Travel and Tourism Week 2022

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY, May 3, 2022.

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary