



WHEREAS, the American Red Cross has been serving communities in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex since 1911 - McKinney, Texas, is included in the DFW Metro East Chapter of the American Red Cross, which covers a region of 3.8 million residents across Collin, Dallas, Grayson, and Rockwall counties; and

WHEREAS, last year, the DFW Metro East Chapter assisted 685 families while responding to more than 375 disasters to deliver shelter, food, and comfort; held 1,304 blood drives and collected more than 24,000 units of blood to provide safe, accessible, lifesaving help to new moms, cancer patients and accident victims; and proudly supported more than 2,000 North Texan military members, veterans, their families and caregivers to cope with the challenges of service; and

WHEREAS, 1,925 North Texas Red Cross volunteers – the lifeblood of the Red Cross – responded to the call to provide relief to families who experienced the worst days of their lives; and

WHEREAS, 38,602 people enrolled in Red Cross first aid, CPR and AED training courses, helping to make the DFW Metro East Chapter more resilient in the event of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, in 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued the first Red Cross Month proclamation, and the American Red Cross has since continued the annual recognition and celebration of people caring for one another in times of crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 2024 AS

RED CROSS MONTH

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, ENCOURAGING RESIDENTS TO LEARN MORE AND BECOME INVOLVE WITH THE RED CROSS ENDEAVOR OF TURNING COMPASSION INTO ACTION. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2024.

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary