Proclamation

Whereas, the power of technology is wielding a huge impact on the world; and

Whereas, the U.S. tech industry is a major driving force in the overall economy, accounting for 7.1 percent of overall GDP and 11.6 percent of U.S. private-sector employment; and

Whereas, information technology draws on a highly educated and skilled U.S. workforce of nearly two million people, a number which has continued to grow during the past decade; and

Whereas, cloud computing, mobility, big data, automation, and social technologies become common elements for businesses of all sizes -- and as cybersecurity becomes a constant concern -- the need for employees with technical expertise is growing; and

Whereas, booming technology, economic and demographic shifts continue to rapidly change our world, making it more important than ever for organizations from small businesses to government agencies to embrace effective information technology practices;

Now, Therefore, I, Mary Penn, Mayor of the City of Forney, do hereby proclaim September 15, 2020, as

National IT Professionals Day

in the City of Forney, Texas.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal this 15th day of September 2020.

Mary Penn, Mayor