

# Proclamation

# Forney



# Texas

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*Whereas*, municipal courts play a significant role in preserving public safety and promoting quality of life in Texas; and

*Whereas*, more people come in contact with municipal courts than all other Texas courts combined and public impression of the Texas judicial system is largely dependent upon the public's experience in municipal court; and

*Whereas*, Municipal Judges and court support personnel have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all, and conform to the standards set by the Canons of Judicial Conduct; and

*Whereas*, the Municipal Courts play a significant role in preserving the quality of life in Texas communities through the adjudication of traffic offenses, ensuring a high level of traffic safety for our citizens; and

*Whereas*, the Municipal Courts serve as the local justice center for the enforcement of local ordinances and fine-only state offenses that protect the peace and dignity of our community; and

*Whereas*, the Municipal Judges and Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of justice through participation in judicial education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state and local professional organizations; and

*Whereas*, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Texas Municipal Courts, and salute their critical role in preserving public safety, protecting the quality of life in Texas communities, and deterring future criminal behavior;

*Now, Therefore*, I, Mary Penn, Mayor of the City of Forney, Texas, do hereby proclaim the week of November 2 – 6, 2020, as

## *Municipal Courts Week*

in the City of Forney and extend our appreciation to our Municipal Judge and court support personnel and I call upon all residents of Forney to join with the City Council in recognizing the vital service they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have set my hand and official seal this 3rd day of November, 2020.

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*Mary Penn, Mayor*