

# PROCLAMATION

## FORNEY



## TEXAS

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*Whereas*, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® is an international service organization that was founded in 1908 on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. The membership consists of nearly 300,000 distinguished and successful women who exert a positive influence on society by promoting excellence in their communities and advocating for greater equality and opportunity for all; and

*Whereas*, since 2019, the members of Pearls by the Lake have served our communities to fulfill the mission of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® in multiple capacities, providing over 1,000 hours of community service, various donations, and public seminars in the areas of education, health, economics, the arts, and global impact; and

*Whereas*, the members of Pearls by the Lake represent the highest ideals of civic service and are committed to maintaining, growing, and rendering **Service to All Mankind** to the underserved cities and towns in and around Kaufman and Rockwall Counties; and

*Whereas*, Pearls by the Lake has 55 Charter Members and 4 Chapter members, all dynamic women representing diverse professional backgrounds. As an Official Interest Group, Pearls by the Lake has worked tirelessly to build partnerships with local businesses, school districts, and individuals to serve the communities within and surrounding Kaufman and Rockwall Counties; and

*Whereas*, Pearls by the Lake, An Official Interest Group of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® received their Charter on Sunday, March 7, 2021, serving areas in and around Kaufman and Rockwall Counties in Texas;

*Now, Therefore*, I, Mary Penn, Mayor of the City of Forney, Texas, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 17, 2021, as

### *Pearls by the Lake Day*

and urge our citizens to acknowledge the dedicated works of this organization.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have set my hand and official seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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*Mary Penn, Mayor*