

Proclamation

Forney



Texas

Whereas, National Diabetes Month is an annual event each November to boost awareness about the risk factors, symptoms, and types of diabetes. The theme for World Diabetes Day 2022 is **EDUCATION TO PROTECT TOMORROW**; and

Whereas, in the United States, over 34 million people have diabetes, a serious disease with potentially life-threatening complications such as heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney disease and amputation; and

Whereas, an additional 86 million people in the United States are at risk for developing Type 2 diabetes and more young Americans are also living with Type 2 diabetes than ever before, putting them at risk of developing serious health problems later in life; and

Whereas, the American Diabetes Association fights on behalf of the diabetes community to increase federal funding for diabetes research and programs, to improve comprehensive health care and insurance coverage and to end discrimination against people with diabetes. If you factor in the costs for medical expenses and reduced productivity, diabetes costs over \$245 billion each year; and

Whereas, an increase in community awareness is necessary to put a stop to the diabetes epidemic;

Now, Therefore, I, Amanda Lewis, Mayor of the City of Forney, Texas, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2022, as:

Diabetes Awareness Month

in the City of Forney and encourage all citizens to recognize the American Diabetes Association and join the effort to confront, fight and most importantly, change the future of this deadly disease.

In Witness Whereof, I have set my hand and official seal this 15th day of November, 2022.

Amanda Lewis, Mayor