## Resolution

ORDER NO. 2021-0139

DATE: February 19, 2021

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS &



BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 19th day of February 2021, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner District 1, and seconded by J.J. Koch, Commissioner District 2, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Dallas County Commissioners Court takes special notice when an individual has given long and faithful public and community service; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Member Williams, is a native of Bossier City, Louisiana. He grew up in a neighborhood known as the "Village of Tuxedo Junction," where indoor plumbing and running water were not made available to residents and was not installed in homes by the City until his junior year in high school. He left his birthplace and has lived in Garland with his family since 1971. He is the proud father of one daughter, a local pharmacist; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Williams graduated from Bossier Parish Public Schools. Afterward he continued his formal education by obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree at Wiley College in Marshall, Texas, and a Master of Science degree at Amberton University-Garland, Texas. He also received a Silver and Gold Certificate from National League of Cities; and

WHEREAS, After 37 years of service, B.J. retired from the Social Security Administration in 2007. Retiring gave him more time to invest in his community and pursue public service. In addition to serving on the Garland City Council (District 4) since 2012, B.J. has served in a variety of positions and organizations, including an unprecedented eight elected terms as President of the NAACP Garland Unit from 1996-2010. His service with the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce translated into leading the team of Garland community and business leaders to successfully increase opportunities for minorities and women to do contract and vendor business with the City of Garland. He also cultivated leaders of the future by dedicating his time to mentoring high school and elementary school students throughout Garland through the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, of which he is a proud member. He also counts himself among the faithful congregants of Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Most recently, B.J. Williams was sworn in for another term on the Garland City Council on Nov. 17, 2020 after having served in this same role in the past; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable B.J. Williams has continuously and diligently contributed to making and maintaining positive changes in his community. No matter what he does or for whom he does it, B.J. Williams does so with integrity and a commitment to excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby recognize and honor Garland City Council Member B.J. Williams for a lifetime of accomplishments and faithful service to community.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 19th day of February, 2021.

Clay Lewis Jenkins,

County Judge

Dr. Theresa M. Daniel,

District 1

District 2

J.J. Koch,

Dr. Elba Garcia,

lohn Wiley Price, District 3

District 4