Resolution

ORDER NO.2022-1356

DATE: December 20, 2022

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

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BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 20th day of December, 2022, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa Daniel, Commissioner of District 1_and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4 the following Resolution was adopted:

- WHEREAS, Every year, December 10 is marked as International Human Rights Day. The day aims to improve awareness about the importance of human rights and encourage stakeholders to ensure that all people are able to enjoy and exercise their human rights freely; and
- WHEREAS, The theme for International Human Rights Day 2022 has been set as 'Dignity, Freedom, and Justice for All'; and
- WHEREAS, In the immediate wake of WWII, there was a growing clamor for ensuring that the atrocities committed during the conflict would not be repeated. In 1948, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), which encapsulated the common standard that every country and person should try to achieve in terms of human rights; and
- WHEREAS, Two years later, the first International Human Rights Day was marked in honor of the adoption of the UDHR. Although the UDHR is not a binding or legal document, it marked the start of the global discourse towards improving human rights access to millions across the globe; and
- WHEREAS, Human rights cover everything from basic dignity, liberty, and equality to freedoms like the right to live and the prohibition of slavery and torture. As more awareness is spread about these human rights, more stakeholders make an effort to ensure that every human is able to enjoy and receive the rights and freedoms mentioned in the UDHR; and
- WHEREAS, The UDHR Preamble concludes with "The General Assembly Proclaims this Universal Declaration of Human Rights as a common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations, to the end that every individual and every organ of society, keeping this Declaration constantly in mind, shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms and by progressive measures, national and international, to secure their universal and effective recognition and observance, both among the peoples of Member States themselves and among the peoples of territories under their jurisdiction."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Dallas County Commissioners Court, does hereby recognize that *International Human Rights Day* occurred on December 10th, 2022 but supports the principles in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as guidance for treating all persons with basic decency as a year-round goal.

DONE IN OPEN COURT this the 20th day of December 2022.

Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge

Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, District 1

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John Wiley Price, District 3 Dr. Elba Garcia, District 4