



# City of McKinney

# Proclamation


- WHEREAS*, the nearly 2.97 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and,
- WHEREAS*, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and,
- WHEREAS*, the nurses of Medical Center of McKinney are working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care; and,
- WHEREAS*, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require the better utilization of all our nation's registered nursing resources; and,
- WHEREAS*, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and,
- WHEREAS*, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and,
- WHEREAS*, that more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community; and
- WHEREAS*, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care deliver system in the future; and,
- WHEREAS*, Medical Center of McKinney has declared the week of May 4 – 8, 2009 as NURSES APPRECIATION WEEK in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL WHITFIELD, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, do hereby proclaim the week of May 4-8, 2009 as NURSES APPRECIATION WEEK in McKinney, Texas, and request that all residents of McKinney join me in honoring the registered nurses who care for all of us, and that we celebrate registered nursing's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2009.

  
Bill Whitfield, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Sandy Hart, City Secretary