

WHEREAS, Texas is subject to the potential for flooding and flash flooding; and

WHEREAS, flash flooding is the number one cause of weather-related damage, including significant property damages and flood-related deaths, many of which are preventable; and

WHEREAS, floods and flash floods are possible throughout the year, they often have a higher frequency during the spring and summer thunderstorms; and

WHEREAS, intense rainfall or slow-moving storms that track over the same areas can cause a rapid rise of water, and flash floods can develop within minutes; and

WHEREAS, the public must understand and respect the power of water and take appropriate flood preparedness and mitigation measures before a flood to reduce loss of life and property; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Floodplain Management Association and the State of Texas have joined together to urge the public to stay informed and be prepared for floods and flash floods, to educate themselves on flood safety strategies, to consider the purchase of flood insurance, to be aware of flood watches and flood warning, to be mindful of signs and barriers warning of flood dangers, and to always "Turn Around, Don't Drown."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron Jensen, Mayor of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas, and on behalf of the Grand Prairie City Council, do hereby proclaim May 20 to May 24, 2019, as

Flood Awareness Week

in the City of Grand Prairie.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS 7th DAY OF MAY 2019.



Ron Jensen
Mayor