



# Proclamation

*WHEREAS, Civitans have observed Clergy Appreciation Week internationally since 1960, appreciating the work and sacrifice that members of the established clergy as well as lay members and Chaplains make on a daily basis and during their lifetime, and*

*WHEREAS, Clergy Appreciation Week is an annual remembrance of the sacrifice of the four chaplains aboard the troopship USS Dorchester that was sunk on February 3, 1943 during World War II, who willingly gave their lifejackets to soldiers that did not have one, thus sacrificing their lives so that others could live, and*

*WHEREAS, Ranger Civitans join with all Civitans throughout the world to celebrate Clergy Appreciation week, and*

*WHEREAS, Clergy Appreciation Week is being held to inform the community to join with us in saluting and recognizing their clergy.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Grand Prairie, Texas, do hereby designate the week of February 1-7, 2016 as*

## **CIVITAN CLERGY APPRECIATION WEEK**

*in the City of Grand Prairie and encourage the residents of Grand Prairie to actively support and take pride in the worthwhile efforts the Ranger Civitan Club and their effort to recognize and show appreciation for members of the Clergy and Lay people and the unselfish work that they do in the community.*

*WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS 2nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016*

  
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Ron Jensen  
Mayor