WHEREAS, Darvis "Doc" Patton graduated from Texas Christian University and was a ten-time All American and became the first TCU athlete to win an indoor conference long jump title; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patton has represented the United States at the Olympics three times and won silver medals in 2004 in Athens, and in 2012 in London, in the Men's 4 x 100 Meter Relay; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his athletic pursuits, Mr. Patton is a member of Big Brothers Big Sisters where he is a Point of Light guest speaker; and

WHEREAS, Darvis "Doc" Patton speaks to school-age children, encouraging them to remain drug-free, and emphasizing the importance of hard work, dedication, faith, accountability and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patton resides in Grand Prairie with his wife, Crystal and daughter, Dakota;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Charles England, on behalf of the citizens and the City Council of Grand Prairie, Texas, do hereby proclaim November 6, 2012, as

Darvis "Doc" Patton

in the City of Grand Prairie, Texas, and extend this expression of our pride in his accomplishments and publicly commend this fine athlete both for his athletic accomplishments as well as his role as a mentor and role model for future athletes.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, on this 6th day of November, 2012.

Charles England, Maya