

WHEREAS, each Texas Spring brings the potential for flooding and flash flooding; and flash flooding is the number one cause of weather-related damage, including significant damages to commerce, public, and private property and the loss of human life; 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 flood can develop within minutes; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of loss of life and property damage can be achieved when appropriate flood preparedness control and mitigation measures are taken before a flood; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Floodplain Management Association and the State of Texas have joined together to urge the public to be informed and 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 21-25, 2018 as

Flood Awareness Week

in the City of Grand Prairie, Texas,

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, on this 15th day of May 2018.



Ron Jensen
Mayor