

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR / CITY OF DALLAS



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Human Rights Day was established in 1948 by the United Nations to commemorate the adoption of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which enumerated the inalienable rights of humankind as foundational to justice, peace, freedom, and democracy we all seek to enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, The world celebrates Human Rights Day as an opportunity to recognize our individual roles in creating a society which promotes equality across races, gender identities, religions, origins, ethnic backgrounds, abilities, and affiliations; and

**WHEREAS**, Human Rights Day recognizes the commitment to the fundamental principles of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness as well as the equitable opportunities for all Dallasites; With support from the Office of Equity & Inclusion and the Human Rights Division, the City of Dallas has received a perfect score on the Human Rights Campaign Municipal Equality Index for six consecutive years, and is recognized as a Certified Welcoming Community; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Dallas recognizes that abuses can happen on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, physical or mental disability, veteran status, citizenship, and/or genetic information; Such discrimination is against the founding principles of our great city and violates the city's Title VI Nondiscrimination Policy and Chapter 46 of the City Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Dallas works with the community in development and support of policies that uphold the universal rights of humanity through collaboration with boards, commissions, and community partners, and as demonstrated through the adoption of the Racial Equity Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Dallas recognizes the significant and ongoing fight for the rights listed above, in addition to creating inclusive safe spaces where all people belong.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I ERIC JOHNSON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DALLAS**, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2021 as

## HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

in Dallas, Texas, and in solidarity with cities across the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Johnson', written over a horizontal line.

*Mayor, The City of Dallas*

