## Proclamation

## "Falun Dafa Day Honoring Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance"

**Whereas**, Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a peaceful self-improvement practice rooted in ancient Chinese culture that centers around the universal principal of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance and it consists of five gentle exercises, including meditation; and

**Whereas**, Master Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Dafa, has helped millions across the world to improve their health and moral standards, as well as deepen their understanding of life, humanity and the universe, through the practice of Falun Dafa; and

**Experses**, transcending culture and racial boundaries, more than 100 million people in over 100 countries have become happier, healthier and more altruistic through their practice of Falun Dafa, and World Falun Dafa Day celebrates the benefits that this great practice has brought to our society; and

**Thereas**, Falun Dafa was first introduced to the public in 1992 and to Dallas-Fort Worth in 1996. Since then, free introductory classes by volunteers have been held in public places such as city libraries and public parks, and practitioners have become an integral part of society's fabric; and

**Whereas**, Falun Dafa practitioners' determination and courage to stand up for Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance while facing severe persecution from the Chinese Communist Party has shown the world the value of life and the preciousness of human dignity; and

**Whereas,** Falun Dafa practitioners in the greater Dallas-Fort Worth area will celebrate World Falun Dafa Day on May 13.

**Dow, Therefore,** I, Rudy Durham, Mayor of the City of Lewisville, Texas, do hereby proclaim May 13th, 2021 as "Falun Dafa Day (week)" in the City of Lewisville.

Proclaimed this the 16th day of April, 2021.

Rudy Durham, Mayor City of Lewisville