## Chin National Day Proclamation

**Electeds**, The Chin National Day celebrate the unity of various tribes from all over Chinland who voted to abolish traditional feudal system in favor of a democratic system of Government in Falam, Burma;

**Electers**, Prior to the British colonization of Chinland, the Chins were an independent people with their own territory, unique customs, and traditions;

**Dhereas**, The Chins were one of the founding members of the Union of Burma with the signing of the Panglong Agreement in 1947;

**Whereas**, Under successive military governments, the Chin National Day celebration was banned in Chinland and Burma:

**Dhereas**, The Chin National Day represents a day where Chin people from all over the world reaffirms their unique culture, language, and traditions;

**Exercas**, the Chin National Day represents democracy, self-determination, and diversity in unity;

**Dhereas**, The first official Chin National Day was celebrated in February 20, 1951 in Mindat, Burma and annually since then;

**Now, therefore,** I, TJ Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Lewisville, Texas, and on behalf of the Lewisville City Council, hereby proclaims the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022 as the:

## "74th Anniversary of Chin National Day"

in the City of Lewisville.

Proclaimed, this the 19th day of February, 2022.

TJ Gilmore, Mayor City of Lewisville