

Proclamation

BY THE

City Council of the City of Lewisville

WHEREAS, the City of Lewisville recognizes the importance of animal welfare and the need to address the inhumane practices associated with puppy mills, including overcrowding, unsanitary conditions, and the unethical treatment of breeding dogs and their puppies; and

WHEREAS, puppies are transported to Texas including Lewisville under distressing conditions, causing them to experience severe anxiety, health issues, and a high risk of disease transmission; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Lewisville must be informed about the realities of puppy mills and the impact of supporting such practices on animal welfare and public health, and encouraged to support local animal shelters to reduce animal homelessness and overpopulation; and

WHEREAS, by adopting pets from local rescue organizations such as Humane Tomorrow, residents not only save lives by decreasing the frequency of euthanasia in overcrowded shelters, but contribute to the well-being of the community by promoting sustainable and humane practices in pet ownership;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, TJ Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Lewisville, and on behalf of the Lewisville City Council, do hereby proclaim September 21, 2024, as:

PUPPY MILL AWARENESS DAY



In Lewisville, Texas and urge all residents to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

TJ Gilmore,

Mayor City of Lewisville