

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
DECLARING JULY 16, 2026
AS PUBLIC FALL-RISK EDUCATION
AND AWARENESS DAY
IN THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE**

WHEREAS, fall-related injuries represent a significant public health concern, particularly among older adults, often impacting individual independence, quality of life, and overall community well-being; and

WHEREAS, proactive, evidence-based education regarding gait biomechanics and fall-prevention science plays a vital role in identifying personal risks and empowering residents with actionable tools to maintain their mobility; and

WHEREAS, the EcoStep initiative, developed in guidance with Dr. Thurmon E. Lockhart at Arizona State University, translates advanced biomechanical research into an accessible, public-facing screening tool app and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, student-led innovation and academic partnerships bring valuable, cutting-edge resources directly to local municipalities to foster healthier, safer environments for aging populations; and

WHEREAS, EcoStep seeks to actively collaborate with the City of Pflugerville by providing free community fall-risk screenings, educational workshops, and live demonstrations of preventive strategies; and

WHEREAS, EcoStep also plans to partner with senior homes, assisted-living facilities, and rehabilitation centers within Pflugerville to pilot its fall-risk screening app, provide on-site assessments, and equip caregivers with evidence-based fall-prevention resources; and

WHEREAS, localizing these safety efforts ensures that residents have direct access to personalized care, strengthening the City's commitment to promoting healthy aging and reducing preventable injuries.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Doug Weiss, Mayor of the City of Pflugerville, Texas, do hereby proclaim July 16, 2026 as **PUBLIC FALL-RISK AND EDUCATION DAY** in the City of Pflugerville.

In Witness Whereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 14th day of July, 2026

Doug Weiss, Mayor

Attest:

Trista Evans, City Secretary