

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
IN MEMORY OF
ARMY SPECIALIST KRYSTAL ALVARADO FITTS
AUGUST 14, 2012**

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2012, Army Specialist Krystal Alvarado Fitts, the 26-year-old daughter of Pflugerville resident Mr. Thomas Alvarado and granddaughter of Pflugerville resident Mrs. Lynn Harrington, was killed in action in Kandahar, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Fitts was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and was serving in the Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Krystal joined the army in 2009 as a chemical operations specialist and quickly became known to unit commanders and fellow soldiers as dedicated, tenacious, motivated, and willing to assume duties well beyond the scope of her training; thereby filling a critical role in her unit; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Fitts was serving her first deployment, volunteering to serve on a Female Engagement Team and learn the Pashtu language in order to help soldiers communicate with the local Afghans; and

WHEREAS, during her service, Specialist Fitts was awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the Army Commendation Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with the Bronze Service Star, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Overseas Service Ribbon and the NATO Medal; and

WHEREAS, Krystal was the beloved daughter of Pflugerville resident, Mr. Thomas Alvarado, and granddaughter of Pflugerville resident Mrs. Lynn Harrington, and the residents of the Pflugerville community wish to express their sincere gratitude for Krystal's service in Operation Enduring Freedom and the many contributions to her fellow servicemen and women; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Krystal Alvarado Fitts gave the ultimate sacrifice for her country and will be greatly missed by her family and friends who loved and cherished her;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JEFF COLEMAN, MAYOR OF PFLUGERVILLE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AUGUST 14, 2012 AS A DAY OF CELEBRATION AND HONOR OF THE MEMORY OF KRYSTAL ALVARADO FITTS.

In Witness Whereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 14th day of August, 2012.

City of Pflugerville, Texas

Jeff Coleman, Mayor