

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION  
DECLARING AUGUST 22, 2023 AS  
ZEKE CASTRO DAY  
IN THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE**

**WHEREAS**, In 1948, Zeke, was the youngest of eleven students selected to be in the Junior String Project at the University of Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, After graduating Austin High School, Zeke continued his music classes at UT School of Music; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1980, Zeke was the founder of the AISD's Travis High School Mariachi Rebeldes del Sur; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1986, he was named the Austin ISD Teacher of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2011, Zeke was invited to join the music faculty at Sarah and Ernst Butler School of Music where he serves as a lecturer and director; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his career in Georgia, California and Texas Zeke has played viola in symphony orchestras and chamber music ensembles; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2006, he received the Ruben Fuentes Award for the Mariachi Music Hall of Fame; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2014, he was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award in Music at the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican Cultural Center; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2013, Zeke served as the Founder and Director of the First University of Texas at Austin Longhorn Mariachi Camp for high school students.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that I, Victor Gonzales, Mayor of the City of Pflugerville, Texas, do hereby proclaim August 22, 2023 as Zeke Castro Day in the City of Pflugerville and offer congratulations on his many achievements.

In Witness Whereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 22th day of August, 2023.

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Victor Gonzales, Mayor

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Trista Evans, City Secretary