

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
DECLARING AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK
IN THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE
MAY 3 TO MAY 7, 2021**

WHEREAS, air quality can threaten our environment, economy, and the health of the residents of the City of Pflugerville; and

WHEREAS, air pollution levels in Central Texas were considered “moderate” or worse on thirty-four percent of days in 2020, according to the National Air Quality Index; and

WHEREAS, children, older adults, and people with lung and heart disease are particularly affected by poor air quality and make up about two out of every five residents in Central Texas; and

WHEREAS, ground-level ozone (O₃) levels in the Austin-Round Rock-Georgetown Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) remain close to exceeding the O₃ National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS); and

WHEREAS, the City of Pflugerville supports public awareness about the quality of local and regional air quality and steps that members of our community can take to reduce their exposure to air pollution and to reduce the emissions that contribute to poor air quality in the region; and

WHEREAS, remaining in compliance with the NAAQS is important not only for public health, but also for the region’s economy and ability to conduct transportation planning; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pflugerville is a member of the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition of the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) and supports the Coalition’s efforts to promote regional air quality; and

WHEREAS, Air Quality Awareness Week is being observed nationally from May 3 to May 7, 2021 this year with the theme “Healthy Air – Important for Everyone!”.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Victor Gonzales, Mayor of the City of Pflugerville, Texas, do hereby proclaim May 3 to May 7, 2021 as Air Quality Awareness Week and encourage our residents and employees to educate themselves about air quality and to promote air quality and air quality awareness within the community.

In Witness Whereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 27th day of April 2021.

Victor Gonzales, Mayor

Attest:

Karen Thompson, City Secretary