MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2024 AS WATER SAFETY MONTH IN THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE

WHEREAS, the month of May is nationally recognized as Water Safety Month, providing an opportunity to join together in raising awareness about water safety and taking proactive steps to ensure the well-being of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the water safety is a vital concern for Texas, as our state experiences high temperatures throughout much of the year, prompting many to seek relief in the waters of lakes, rivers, and pools; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pflugerville is home to several great natural bodies of water, including lakes, rivers, as well as countless public and private swimming pools which provide endless opportunities for recreation, relaxation, and enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, while water activities bring joy and enrichment to our lives, it is essential to recognize the importance of water safety education and awareness in preventing accidents, injuries, and death; and

WHEREAS, drowning remains a significant, with many incidents occurring each year in Texas, particularly among children and young adults, making it imperative that we prioritize efforts to promote water safety practices and prevent future tragedies; and

WHEREAS, the Pflugerville Parks and Recreation Department offers Learn-to-Swim classes, private swim lessons, and encourages safe practices around all bodies of water in the City of Pflugerville;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Victor Gonzales, do hereby declare May 2024, as **WATER SAFETY MONTH** in the City of Pflugerville, and encourage all residents to register for water safety and CPR/AED classes, always have a "water watcher" supervising while others are in the water, wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets, secure residential pools with adequate barriers, and create an emergency plan and prepare how to react if a water emergency happens.

IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, I hereby affix my signature this 14th day of May, 2024.

Victor Gonzales, Mayor

Attest:

Trista Evans, City Secretary