

**MAYORS PROCLAMATION  
DECLARING OCTOBER 18-24, 2015  
NATIONAL TEEN  
DRIVER SAFETY  
WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, driving is an important and exciting rite of passage for youth; it is also one of the riskiest activities for young people to engage in; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has determined that the leading cause of death among teenagers is motor vehicle accidents, exceeding the rate of suicides, homicides, and all other causes of death among that population group; and

**WHEREAS**, most teen-related motor vehicle crashes are caused by risky driving behavior; inexperience and immaturity combined with speed, not wearing seat belts, nighttime driving, and impaired driving; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the major factors that increases the risk of a crash is impaired driving, which includes not only drinking and driving and other drug use, but all types of distracted driving, such as cell phone use, texting, drowsy driving and fatigue and strong emotions; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that teens understand that they are vulnerable and are well aware of the many risks that affect their safety; and

**WHEREAS**, National Teen Driver Safety Week provides an opportunity to raise awareness of teen driver safety issues, empower individuals to discuss and share driver safety issues in their communities and inspire others to change their behaviors around driver safety; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme is "Avoid the Regret, Avoid Impaired Driving" and during this week, teens are reminded to "Avoid the Regret, Avoid Impaired Driving" as a driver, as a passenger and as a friend.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, MAYOR JEFF COLEMAN**, do hereby proclaim **OCTOBER 18-24, 2015 AS NATIONAL TEEN DRIVER SAFETY WEEK** in the City of Pflugerville, Texas.

In Witness Thereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 13th day of October, 2015.

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Jeff Coleman, Mayor

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Karen Thompson, City Secretary