



**Proclamation of the City of Bay City
Declaring April 2023
as "Records and Information Management Month"**

WHEREAS, Records and Information Management Month was first introduced in 1995 by ARMA International (Association of Records Managers and Administrators) in order to celebrate the importance of Records and Information Management (RIM) professionals and highlight the value they bring to organizations and communities; and

WHEREAS, the management of records and information is critical to every individual for protecting rights and privacy, to every business and organization for ensuring compliance and profitability, and to every government agency for serving the best interest of those within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, technologies are increasing the volume of information, and globalization is expanding the complexity of information, therefore the proper management of information (records) as an asset is essential; and

WHEREAS, control of records and information is necessary for the reduction of risk and liability, as well as for compliance with growing, complex global standards and federal/state laws; and

WHEREAS, the City's records and information professional, City Secretary and Records Manager Jeanna Thompson, is entrusted with the responsibility of coordinating the careful management, disposition, and provision of access to public records on behalf of the citizens of Bay City.

WHEREAS, the City's Record Liaisons continually strive to serve as the information center on functions of their assigned departments, providing the professional link between the citizens, staff, and governing bodies.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS, PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING:

1. April 2023 shall hereafter be known as "Records and Information Management Month" in Bay City, Texas.
2. The City calls upon the citizens of Bay City to recognize this month by thanking our Records Manager and Record Liaisons for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

CITY OF BAY CITY

Mayor Robert K. Nelson