

WHEREAS: February 1-28, 2021, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month® by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

WHEREAS: career and technical education offers students the opportunity to gain the academic, technical and employability skills necessary for true career readiness

WHEREAS: career and technical education provides students with career exploration opportunities earlier in their educational experience, which enables them to make informed and beneficial decisions about their academic coursework and pursue established programs of study and career pathways; and

WHEREAS: career and technical education prepares students for these and other fulfilling careers by offering integrated programs of study that link secondary and postsecondary education and lead to the attainment of industry-recognized credentials; and

WHEREAS: ensuring that employers have access to a qualified workforce is a crucial step in ensuring productivity among the business and industry communities as well as continued American economic growth and global competitiveness; and

WHEREAS: The Smith-Hughes Act, the first act of Congress to provide funding for career and technical education, was signed into law 101 years ago and allows us to celebrate how far CTE has come to become a powerhouse of America's economy;

NOW THEREFORE, I Ron Jensen, Mayor of the City of Grand Prairie, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim February 2021 as

Career and Technical Education Month

in the City of Grand Prairie and urge all citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the career and technical education programs in this community and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual skills and productivity.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 2nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.


Ron Jensen
Mayor