



National Crime Victims' Rights Week

April 18–24, 2021

SUPPORT VICTIMS. BUILD TRUST. ENGAGE COMMUNITIES.

Whereas, crime victims' rights acts passed here in Texas and at the federal level have provided victims with ways to participate meaningfully throughout the criminal justice process; and

Whereas, the rights of crime victims are most preserved when all participants in the criminal justice process -not only victims- are adequately educated about victims' rights; and

Whereas, advocacy by and for victims of crime is itself a form of seeking justice and is no less than justice sought in the courts; and

Whereas, respecting victims' decisions is honoring their right and ability to take control of their lives and allowing them to find autonomy and empowerment through achieving self-defined goals; and

Whereas, providing culturally responsive and linguistically accessible responses ensures that victims of crime with diverse backgrounds receive appropriate resources while finding meaningful ways to pave their road towards healing and justice; and

Whereas, the accomplishments of the victims' rights movement inspire in us hope for future progress, greater healing, and bigger opportunities; and

Whereas, National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that accessible, appropriate, and trauma-informed services are offered to all victims of crime; and

Whereas, The City of Manor is hereby dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim service providers, and bringing hope and healing to all victims and survivors.

Now, therefore, I, Dr. Larry Wallace, Mayor of the City of Manor, Texas, and on behalf of the Manor City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of April 18-24, 2021, as:

"Crime Victims' Rights Week"

and reaffirming this The City of Manor's commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victims' Rights Week and throughout the year; and expressing our sincere gratitude and appreciation for those community members, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving our response to all victims of crime so that they may find relevant assistance, support, justice, and peace.

Dr. Larry Wallace Jr., Mayor
City of Manor