



PROCLAMATION

Whereas, ACC opened its doors on September 17, 1973, with 1,726 students and 177 faculty/staff; and

Whereas, in the 50 years since its founding, ACC has served the Central Texas community; providing pathways to hundreds of thousands of high school students seeking access to college, traditional college-aged students seeking to transfer to a four-year university, and adults seeking to skill-up and advance in their career; and

Whereas, over the years, ACC's service area has grown to a region that is geographically the size of Connecticut with a taxing district that includes seven school districts including Manor ISD; and

Whereas, ACC emphasizes hands-on, experiential and personalized learning opportunities, establishing innovative facilities like incubators in high-demand industries and the renowned ACCelerator learning lab; and

Whereas, ACC has long been a leader of providing free college to high school students through dual credit courses, Early College High Schools, Career Academies, and P-Tech programs—helping families save thousands in higher education costs and increasing the college-going rates of high school graduates; and

Whereas, ACC is recognized for its work to close equity gaps in higher education and is one of the nation's Achieving the Dream Leader Colleges for improving student outcomes and elevating the importance of completion milestones; and

Whereas, ACC was recognized and awarded the prestigious, national *Seal of Excelencia* for its high level of commitment and effort to successfully serve Latino students, and the college is proudly a Hispanic Serving Institution; and

Whereas, ACC is recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board as having the best rate for academic transfer success for students seeking a bachelor's degree.

Now Therefore, I, Dr. Christopher Harvey, Mayor of the City of Manor, Texas, and on behalf of the Manor City Council, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 23, 2023, as:

"Austin Community College District Day"

in the City of Manor.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Manor to be affixed this 20th day of September 2023.

Dr. Christopher Harvey, Mayor City of Manor