

# Proclamation

## City of Mission



**WHEREAS**, bullying is the aggressive use of power targeting another person or group of people with repeated, unwanted words or action, hurting them emotionally or physically; and

**WHEREAS**, bullying occurs in neighborhoods, playgrounds, schools, and online through technology; and

**WHEREAS**, various researchers have concluded that bullying is the most common form of violence, affecting millions of American children and adolescents annually; and

**WHEREAS**, thousands of children and adolescents are affected by bullying annually; and

**WHEREAS**, targets of bullying are at increased risk for depression, anxiety, sleep difficulties, lower academic achievement, and dropping out of school and students who are repeatedly bullied often fear such activities as riding the bus, going to school, interacting online, and attending community activities; and

**WHEREAS**, children who bully are at greater risk of engaging in more serious violent behaviors; and

**WHEREAS**, children who witness bullying often feel less safe, helpless to stop it, and intimidated.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Governor (name of Governor); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that City of Mission schools, students, parents, recreation programs, religious institutions, businesses, and community organizations be encouraged to engage in a variety of awareness

**NOW, THEREFORE**, We the City Council of the City of Mission do hereby proclaim October as Anti- Bullying Prevention Month and invite the community to the first annual:

### **“UNITED FOR KINDNESS WALK”**

to be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at Bannworth Park from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the City of Mission, and urge the community to build a safe community where everyone’s rights to live in a society free of violence, fear and harassment is protected and preserved.

**PROCLAIMED** this 9th day of October 2023.

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Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor

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Jessica Ortega, Councilwoman

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Ruben Plata, Mayor Pro Tem

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Abiel Flores, Councilman

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Alberto Vela, Councilman