

Proclamation of Celebration

WHEREAS, was organized on October 13, 1922 with 16 fully accredited Lions in the cage to make up the Charter; and

WHEREAS, the first consideration of the Club was the street proposition for good graveled streets throughout the City of Stephenville; and

WHEREAS, the Stephenville Lions Club established the “Milk Cow Scholarship” in 1927 for James Earl Rudder while he attended John Tarleton Agricultural College. This scholarship enabled him to stay at Tarleton and complete degree; and

WHEREAS, the Club presented basketballs and backstops to the City’s Recreation Department in 1963. The Club installed a Lion’s head drinking fountain in the Stephenville City Park in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Lions Club International was named as Knights of the Blind in the crusade against darkness by Helen Keller in 1925. The Stephenville Lions Club regularly hosts free vision screenings and collects eyeglasses to further this mission at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the Stephenville Lions Club hosts their annual Spooktacular Race and residential flag program to raise funds for the Club to provide eye exams and glasses to those in need; and

WHEREAS, the Stephenville Lions Club has been serving the upbuilding of this community for over 100 years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ricky Thurman, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Stephenville, on behalf of the Stephenville City Council and the residents of the City of Stephenville, do hereby proclaim and celebrate the

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE STEPHENVILLE LIONS CLUB

And encourage all citizens of the City of Stephenville and Erath County to join us in celebrating 100 years of service from the Stephenville Lions Club!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Stephenville, Texas to be affixed this 1st day of November 2022.

Ricky Thurman, Mayor Pro Tem