

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR/CITY OF DALLAS



Proclamation

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2000 the United Nations General Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution naming June 20th every year as World Refugee Day, commemorating the strength, courage, and resilience of millions of refugees worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the city of Dallas honors and celebrates the unique cultures, stories, and experiences of refugees around the world in commemoration of World Refugee Day, especially those who are beginning a new chapter of their life as members of the Dallas community; and

WHEREAS, refugee resettlement in Dallas has enjoyed widespread support for nearly 40 years, welcoming those displaced by conflict or persecution with respect and dignity; and

WHEREAS, our refugee neighbors contribute to the continued excellence of the city of Dallas through their cultural and economic contributions, and by maintaining a compassionate spirit we can ensure the strength, diversity, and vibrancy of Dallas for generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL S. RAWLINGS, mayor of the City of Dallas, and on behalf of the Dallas City Council, do hereby proclaim Saturday, June 17, 2017 as

WORLD REFUGEE DAY

in Dallas, Texas.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael S. Rawlings".

Mayor, The City of Dallas

