

CITY OF
AMARILLO, TEXAS
City Council

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 this year marks the 66th Anniversary of the 1951 Convention relating to the status of refugees; and

WHEREAS, for the commemoration of World Refugee Day Amarillo will recognize both the culture of the countries where refugees come from, and their culture and adjustment to life as new Americans; and

WHEREAS, the state of Texas and the City of Amarillo have a long history of receiving refugees. Amarillo is the home of refugees who work in a multitude of industries, contribute to the economy, and are a part of our communities through participation in civic life; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the diversity that defines America and all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Amarillo and its people have accepted refugees with compassion and dignity, and have identify resources and opportunities to help them integrate in their new community;

NOW, THEREFORE,

WE, MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS, of the City of Amarillo, Texas, do hereby proclaim the 20th day of June 2017 as

“World Refugee Day”

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL OF OFFICE this 13th day of June 2017.



Ginger Nelson

Ginger Nelson, Mayor

Elaine Hays

Elaine Hays, Councilmember

Freda Powell

Freda Powell, Councilmember

Eddy Sauer

Eddy Sauer, Councilmember

Howard Smith

Howard Smith, Councilmember