Whereas, in 2001, the Interagency Council on Homelessness issued a call for cities and counties throughout the United States to develop plans to end homelessness and shortly thereafter the Collin County Homeless Coalition was formed; and

Whereas, each year the week before Thanksgiving is recognized as Homelessness Awareness Week, a time to encourage the public to take action on the issues of hunger and homelessness; and

Whereas, the coalition members will host a variety of events at several locations during the week throughout Collin County to raise awareness and offer residents an opportunity to share their compassion with those in need; and

Whereas, the week will highlight the challenges of those without a home, living in poverty, and encourage the public to become involved in efforts to end homelessness in Collin County and across the U.S.; and

Whereas, communities must recognize that hunger and homelessness are growing problems and be aware of the serious affects they can have on individuals and their communities; and

Whereas, cooperation between support agencies, faith communities, schools, businesses, and organizations can improve the quality of life for these individuals.

Now therefore, I, Eric Hogue, Mayor of the City of Wylie, Texas, am honored to hereby proclaim the 12th day of November 2016 through the 18th day of November 2016, as, “Homelessness Awareness Week” in Wylie, Texas, and do thereby encourage all citizens to join me in fighting hunger and homelessness in our community.

Eric Hogue, Mayor
City of Wylie
State of Texas