Whereas, women have contributed to the rich history of our nation with accomplishments in every field; and

Whereas, since the year 1911, the USA has declared the month of March to be Women’s History Month to celebrate the lives of woman throughout history; and

Whereas, Wylie is no exception, with numerous women adding to the fabric of our culture and the success of our community; and

Whereas, one such woman was Reta Ford Allen, who, together with her husband W.C. Allen Jr., purchased the Moore Funeral Home in 1970 and changed the name to Allen Funeral Home, the name under which it operates to this day; and

Whereas, Mrs. Allen was the first woman to be elected to Wylie City Council, serving three separate terms spanning the ’70s, ’80s, ’90s and concluding in 2006; and

Whereas, her influence was such that many referred to the council as “Rita’s Boys”; and

Whereas, Mrs. Allen was a dedicated member of the Wylie community, serving in many organizations benefitting Wylie and its citizens.

Now therefore, I, Eric Hogue, Mayor of the City of Wylie, Texas, on this the 28th day of February 2017, am honored to hereby proclaim the month of March 2017, as,

“Women’s History Month”

in Wylie, Texas, and urge all citizens to join in honoring our history and to celebrate the contributions of women.

Eric Hogue, Mayor
City of Wylie
State of Texas