Whereas, Americans are the victims of 20 million crimes each year, affecting individuals and communities; and

Whereas, dedicated victim service providers work every day to meet the needs of crime victims, yet there are still many victims without access to services; and

Whereas, many victims face barriers, such as isolation, language limitations, lack of transportation, or cultural barriers, that keep them from accessing the services and criminal justice systems that can help them recover from crime; and

Whereas, engaging a broad array of healthcare providers, community leaders, faith organizations, educators, and businesses can provide new links between victims and services that improve victims’ safety, healing, and access to justice; and

Whereas, National Crime Victims’ Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime, especially those who are challenging to reach or serve, are afforded their rights and receive a trauma-informed response, incorporating a thorough understanding of the physical, mental, and social effects of trauma; and

Whereas, the City of Wylie is dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our community and our victim responders, and working for justice for all victims and survivors.

Now therefore, I, Eric Hogue, Mayor of the City of Wylie, Texas, on this the 9th day of April 2018, am honored to hereby proclaim the 8th day of April 2018, through the 14th day of April 2018, as, “Crime Victims’ Rights Week” in Wylie, Texas, and reaffirm Wylie’s commitment to creating a victim service and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime, so they may find assistance, support, justice, and peace.

Eric Hogue, Mayor
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State of Texas