

Proclamation

WHEREAS, since 1971, Sickle Cell Association of North Texas has been advocating for patients living with Sickle Cell Disease & Sickle Cell trait and their families, and educating the greater community about this often overlooked disease; and

WHEREAS, Sickle Cell Association of North Texas will partner once again with Mount Olive Baptist Church and Carter Blood Care on September 11th to offer the citizens of Arlington a chance to donate blood in order to meet the growing need for their patients; and

WHEREAS, Sickle Cell Association of North Texas is among the few associations in the U.S. to offer free emergency financial assistance to provide aid to those who qualify, with medical, prescription bills, and rental assistance; and

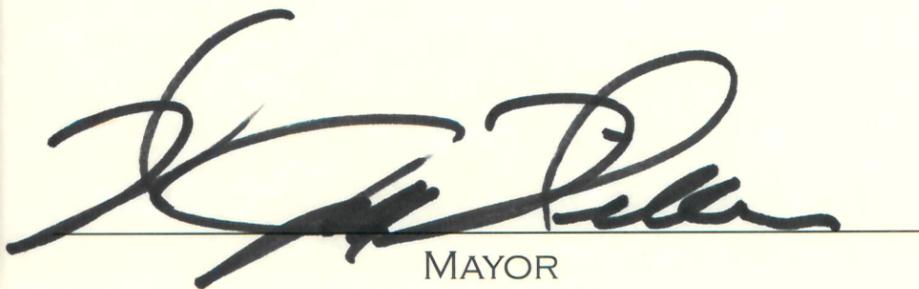
WHEREAS, Sickle Cell disease was largely identified as a disease mostly affecting African-Americans in the past, but today the disease is affecting a growing number of people of all backgrounds and races; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of Sickle Cell Association of North Texas to serve as the safety net when it comes to education, prevention, social services and a myriad of other needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2016 as

SICKLE CELL DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 6th day of September in the year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen.


MAYOR

