

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** The West Fork Presbyterian Church was founded in 1870 and will celebrate its 145<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Saturday, October 17, 2015; and

**WHEREAS,** The church was originally named the Good Hope Cumberland Presbyterian Church, growing out of the Johnson Station Union Sabbath School, and was first led by the Rev. Andrew Shannon Hayter, the first trustees being Thomas Benton Copeland, Joseph Toliver and John Hugh Watson; and

**WHEREAS,** The West Fork Presbyterian Church has inhabited three different buildings in its lifetime and survived a fire in 1924 which razed the church and school buildings. In 1956, the church was moved from Arlington to Grand Prairie to make room for the Dallas Fort Worth Turnpike, now Interstate 30; and

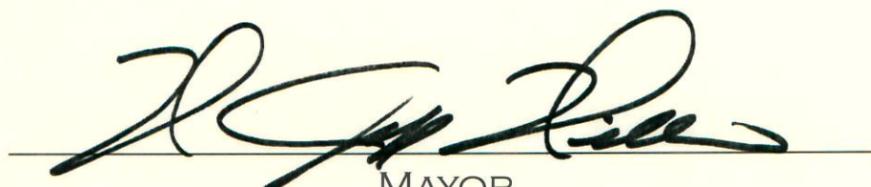
**WHEREAS,** Throughout its history, the West Fork Presbyterian Church has been supported by an energetic and faithful community which worked to preserve and expand the church; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Arlington congratulates the church and its members on many years of ministry and service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim October 17, 2015 as

## **WEST FORK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH DAY**

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 1st day of October in the year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen.*

  
MAYOR

