



Office of the Mayor

P r o c l a m a t i o n

WHEREAS, Sandra Watkins, TRMC, City Secretary, City of Deer Park, began municipal service in Deer Park in 1985 as the Deputy City Secretary, and was appointed City Secretary in May, 1992. She graduated as a Texas Registered Municipal Clerk in 2000, recertified in January 2005, 2010, and 2015. Sandi is also the City's Records Management Officer and Municipal Election Administrator, and has served on various city sub-committees, such as Employee Awards Banquet Committee, Supervisor of the Month Committee, Website Committee, Communications Committee, and is a member of the City's Emergency Operations Center Staff; and

WHEREAS, Sandi served on the State Executive Board for the Texas Municipal Clerks Association as a Trustee from 2011-2013; Secretary in 2014; Treasurer in 2015; and Vice-President in 2016. Past service at the State level has included State Historian; chaired the Resolution Committee; chaired the TML Booth Committee; chaired the Scholarship Committee; Nominating and Audit Committee; Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Committee; and board liaison; and

WHEREAS, Sandi has been a convener for several TMCA seminars and co-presenter for the past 7 years on the Early Voting process for the TMCA Election Law Seminar. She is co-author of Chapter 12, "Records Management," and Chapter 15, "Professional Etiquette and Protocol," of the Texas Municipal Clerks Handbook, 10th edition; and

WHEREAS, Sandi was selected as Municipal Clerk of the Year for the Salt Grass Chapter in 2000, and again in 2009. She was nominated for the State Municipal Clerk of the Year by the Salt Grass Chapter in 2013 and 2015, and was selected TMCA's State Municipal Clerk of the Year in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sandi has earned several scholarships including: Dorothy Byrd Scholarship in 2000; Municipal Code Scholarship in 2006; Laserfiche Scholarship in 2006; Municipal Code Innovations for Records Management Scholarship in 2008; Deloris McKenzie Scholarship in 2009; TML TMCA Session Committee Scholarship in 2014; and the Linebarger Goggan Blair Scholarship in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sandi has served as the Secretary/Treasurer for the Deer Park LEPC since inception in May 1986, and a member of the Community Awareness Subcommittee coordinating the Wally Wise Guy Program since 1994 and is often referred to as Wally's mom. Since May 1992, she has served as the City Liaison and Secretary to the Deer Park Volunteer Fire Department Pension Board.

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jerry Mouton, City of Deer Park, along with the City Council, as a tribute to Sandra Watkins, would you please join us as we hereby proclaim February 28th, 2017

"Sandra Watkins Day"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Deer Park to be affixed hereto this twenty first day of February, Two Thousand and Seventeen, A.D.

**Jerry Mouton, Mayor
City of Deer Park, Texas**