



Office of the Mayor

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

WHEREAS, we gather today to celebrate, honor and show our mutual respect for Debra Tibbetts, who has been a long time resident of Deer Park, Texas, she has three children, Lindsay, Tiffany, & Sean; and

WHEREAS, Deborah graduated from Deer Park High School in 1978 with honors, where she was a Deer Escort, Choir All Area member and active in theater. Debra graduated from Baylor University with a degree in Psychology and Nursing. She joined Alpha Delta Pi, Baylor Golden Wave Band and was a Baylor cheer member; and

WHEREAS, as a nurse, Debra has worked in emergency rooms, intensive care units, flight nurse with Life Flight, as well as attended the first class of the Deer Park Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Debra served in the United States Air Force and Texas Air Guard for 27 years. She recently retired as a Lt. Colonel. During her service she has held several positions, such as a flight nurse, Title 9 Coordinator, deployed Hospital Administrator, and Deputy Commander; and

WHEREAS, upon learning about the massive overrun of the hospital systems in New York City, she volunteered to respond and work with the New York Health Hospital system to provide much needed nursing staff to the city. During her 3-week stay in New York, she worked 12 hour days with no days off, providing nursing care to the overwhelming number of patients infected with COVID-19.

WHEREAS, each morning Debra was transported from their hotel in Times Square to the hospitals in New York City with the greatest need. She saw first hand the empty, non-moving city and the heartbreaking level of death and disease in New York; and

WHEREAS, Debra is asked often why she went to New York and her reply is "I feel God placed this heavily on my heart that I needed to help. Also, if the same tragedy were to happen to the Houston area, I pray others would do the same for Texas."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JERRY MOUTON, Mayor of the City of Deer Park, along with the Deer Park City Council do hereby proclaim June 2, 2020 as

"DEBRA TIBBETTS DAY"

For her dedicated service to our country and volunteering during a critical time in America.

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 second day of June, Two Thousand and Twenty, A.D.

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