

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African American men, was founded on December 4, 1906, at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., has exemplified its mission of developing leaders, promoting academic excellence, and providing service and advocacy for communities through its national programs and initiatives, including voter engagement, mentoring, and support for educational equity; and

WHEREAS, members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., have historically stood at the forefront of movements for social justice and equality, producing notable leaders such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Thurgood Marshall, W.E.B. Du Bois, Duke Ellington, and Jackie Robinson, whose legacies continue to inspire progress and unity; and

WHEREAS, the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. embody the values and principles of manly deeds, scholarship, and love for all mankind and uplift the Little Elm community through their commitment and dedication to service, scholarship, mentorship, advocacy, social justice, and leadership development, which inspires current and future generations to strive for excellence; and

WHEREAS, December 4, 2024, marks the 118th anniversary of the founding of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., providing an opportunity to celebrate its rich history, lasting impact, and ongoing contributions as an influential and recognizable demographic within the Town of Little Elm and society at large;

NOW, THEREFORE, we declare December 4, 2024 as **Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity**, **Inc. Day** and encourage all residents to join in recognizing the achievements and contributions of this esteemed fraternity and its members as a vital part of our community.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Town of Little Elm, Texas, this 3rd day of December, 2024.

Curtis J. Cornelious, Mayor of Little Elm