



## **National Finance and Accounting Appreciation Week September 15-21, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, the history of finance and accounting is an established practice dating back several millennia; and

**WHEREAS**, records and documents originating from the Mesopotamian region traced back as far as 5,000 B.C. reveal the employment of accounting systems. Further evidence of the prevalence of accounting would appear from discoveries in ancient Egypt and Babylonia; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Schertz Finance Department consists of a Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, Senior Accountant, Accountant, Financial Analyst, Accounts Payable Coordinator, and Administrative Assistant; with a combined department total of over 96 years of experience and expert knowledge; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Department oversee the management of the City of Schertz Budget and for FY 2024-2025, the total budget is \$132,189,127.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Department upholds a high standard of ethics, professionalism, and knowledge by maintaining and enhancing their skills through continuing professional education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Department always practices good financial stewardship and has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor of the City of Schertz, do hereby proclaim

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in the City of Schertz and ask the citizens to acknowledge and recognize the outstanding financial stewardship the Finance Department provides the city every day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Schertz to be affixed on this 16th day of September 2025.

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Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor