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WHEREAS, each year brings the potential for flooding and flash flooding to Texas; and

WHEREAS, flash flooding is the number one cause of weather-related damage and can cause significant damage to public and private property and result in the loss of human life; and

WHEREAS, dangerous floods and flash floods often have a higher frequency during the Spring and Fall but flooding can happen anywhere and at any time of the year; and

WHEREAS, a reduction in damage can be achieved when appropriate flood preparedness measures are taken by the City and its residents, including observing flood watches and warnings, developing flood preparedness plans, purchasing flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program, developing flood mitigation capital improvement plans, and adhering to prudent land use planning; and

WHEREAS, the City of Arlington encourages all citizens to be informed and prepared for floods and flash floods, to educate themselves on safety strategies, to be mindful of signs and barriers warning of flood dangers, and to always "Turn Around, Don't Drown".

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim May 24 - 28 as

## FLOOD AWARENESS WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

MAYOR

