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WHEREAS, The City of Arlington remembers Representative Ron Wright who died on February 7, 2021 after years of service to our community; and

WHEREAS, Representative Ron Wright, a sixth-generation Tarrant County resident, graduated from Azle High School in 1971 and then moved to Arlington to attend The University of Texas at Arlington; and

WHEREAS, Representative Wright served at-large on the Arlington City Council from 2000 to 2008, including the last four years as Mayor Pro Tempore; and

WHEREAS, Representative Wright was the founding president of the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation, the city's largest philanthropic organization that has awarded more than \$25 million in grants to make Arlington stronger through education, recreation, arts, culture, and social services; and

WHEREAS, Representative Wright worked as district director and chief of staff for former U.S. Congressman Joe Barton (R-Texas) from 2000 to 2011 and served as Tarrant County tax assessor-collector from 2011 to 2017; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, Representative Wright won his election to serve as a member of the U.S. House, representing Texas' 6th Congressional District; and

WHEREAS, Representative Wright was active in political affairs and community service work for more than 30 years and served on numerous boards and commissions focused on issues such as historical preservation, homelessness prevention and improving education; and

WHEREAS, Representative Wright will be remembered as a constitutional conservative who never lacked the desire to get up and go to work, to motivate those around him, or to offer fatherly advice and who maintained his quick wit and optimism until the very end.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby take this moment to pause and remember the life and contributions of Representative Ron Wright

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 9th day of February in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

MAYOR