

WHEREAS, more than 600 local chambers of commerce in Texas distinguish themselves as the voice of business in our state, and

WHEREAS, the Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce works with the businesses, merchants and industry to advance the civic, economic, industrial, professional and cultural life of the City of Mansfield, and

WHEREAS, its members provide citizens with a strong business environment that increases employment, the retail trade and commerce and industrial growth in order to make Mansfield a better place to live, and

WHEREAS, the partnership between the City of Mansfield and the Chamber has enhanced the efforts of both groups to encourage the growth of existing businesses and promotes the city to prospective industries, and

WHEREAS, the Chamber, through its support and sponsorship of community events such as the Mansfield Pecan Festival, brings local businesses together with residents to create a strong sense of community and encourage civic pride, and

WHEREAS, Texas recognizes the efforts of its community chambers of commerce each October, honoring the contributions these organizations make to the continued growth and prosperity of cities across the state,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Cook, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with the members of the City Council, and hereby proclaim October 19-23, 2009 as

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in Mansfield and ask all residents and businesses to support the efforts of the Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce and express gratitude to its members for their hard work and dedication to our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield, Texas, to be affixed this 12th day of October 2009.