

**WHEREAS**, the EPA has identified that approximately 80% of litter found in the marine environment as originating from land-based sources; and

**WHEREAS**, litter is a problem affecting the beauty and health of communities, impacting our environment by polluting our land and water bodies; and

**WHEREAS**, residents, businesses, community groups, and service organizations are seeking ways to help be part of the solution through education, collaboration and volunteer participation in litter cleanup events and activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge encourages everyone in North Central Texas to participate in fighting the problem of litter; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mansfield is dedicated to Keep Mansfield Beautiful by hosting annual cleanup campaigns and initiatives;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael Evans, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council, to hereby proclaim April 2023,

**NORTH TEXAS COMMUNITY 2023 SPRING LITTER CLEANUP CHALLENGE**

and ask our residents to join us by participating by picking up litter during the month of April and by making a point to help Keep Mansfield Beautiful year-round.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.