

WHEREAS, thousands of animal care and control professionals across the nation dedicate their lives to the health and safety of at-risk or helpless pets and animals; and,

WHEREAS, these professional work to rescue and protect animals from injury, disease, abuse and starvation, while also working tireless to reunite lost pets with their owners or find forever homes for animals in need; and,

WHEREAS, Mansfield Animal Care & Control officers dedicate long hours to keeping the animals in our community safe, as well as educating residents on how to best care and protect their pets; and,

WHEREAS, the National Animal Care & Control Association is committed to setting the stand of professionalism in animal welfare and public safety through training, networking and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the association sets aside a week each April to recognize all animal care and control professionals and to show their appreciation for the work these dedicate officers do, not only for the communities they serve but for the millions of animals each year that are saved because of their work,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David L. Cook, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council to proclaim April 9-15, 2017, as

ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL APPRECIATION WEEK

in Mansfield and encourage residents of our community to show their appreciation and gratitude to the officers of Mansfield Animal Care & Control for their dedication to the our city and to the welfare of its animals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 10^h day of April, 2017.