

WHEREAS, the World's Only Best Maid St. Paddy's Pickle Parade & Palooza on March 15 is a community-wide St. Patrick's Day event that celebrates the city's long-standing affiliation with Best Maid Pickles, and

WHEREAS, Best Maid Pickles was founded in Mansfield in 1926 by Jessie and Mildred Dalton as Mrs. Dalton's Mayonnaise Company and has grown into one of the most recognizable food brands in the country, and

WHEREAS, the day's events include a Fun Run, 5K, 10K, a parade down Main Street and the downtown "Palooza" of food, music, arts and crafts and family fun, and

WHEREAS, the festivities offer an opportunity for residents and visitors to recognize the St. Patrick's Day holiday and celebrate the city's heritage with a unique family-friendly special event that highlights the historic downtown in a fun and creative way,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David L. Cook, Mayor of the City of Mansfield, Texas, join with members of the City Council to hereby proclaim March 15, 2014, as

BEST MAID ST. PADDY'S PICKLE PARADE & PALOOZA DAY

in Mansfield and ask residents to join in the celebration of our city's heritage by supporting this special event and thank the hundreds of community volunteers involved.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Mansfield to be affixed this 24^h day of February, 2014.