Proclamation

THE CITY OF

EULESS

Texas

Whereas: public safety, including the reduction of fatalities and injuries resulting from motor vehicle accidents, are goals shared by the City of Euless, the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute estimate that nearly 80 percent of crashes and 65 percent of near-crashes involve some form of driver inattention resulting in two million injuries, more than 34,000 fatalities, and as much as $184 billion in economic damages annually; and

WHEREAS, the American Media Association called text messaging while driving "a public health risk," citing a study that found text messaging while driving causes a 400 percent increase in time spent with eyes off the road. A university study found that college students face a crash risk eight times greater when texting than when not texting and

WHEREAS, AT&T has launched a campaign to raise public awareness about the risks of texting and driving and remind all wireless consumers, especially youth, that text messages can – and should – wait until after driving.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mary Lib Saleh, Mayor of the City of Euless, Texas, do hereby proclaim September 19, 2012, as:

"Texting & Driving – It Can Wait Day"

and encourage all citizens to commit to refraining from texting while driving and to join me in commending the sponsors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed my name and affixed the official seal of the city hereto, on this 28th day of August, 2012.

Mary Lib Saleh

Mary Lib Saleh, Mayor