

CITY OF
AMARILLO, TEXAS
City Council

Proclamation

WHEREAS, our city is shocked and saddened by the deaths of 22 people and injuries to many others on August 3, 2019, in the city of El Paso, Texas; and

WHEREAS, these people were sons and daughters, mothers and fathers, sisters, brothers, husbands, wives, family and friends of people left behind in this tragedy; and

WHEREAS, the multiple law enforcement agencies who responded to the situation displayed courage and prepared response skills that warrant recognition and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, every life is valuable no matter a person's individual beliefs, ethnicity, occupation, political views, cultural choices, geographic origin or nationality; and

WHEREAS, El Paso is a city with a rich history in our State, with a strong economic and educational impact for our future, with a valued portal for international trade, tourism and cultural development, and most importantly, it is the home to over 680,000 fellow Texans; and

WHEREAS, El Paso is the largest city in our West Texas region and a valued partner in leading our West Texas region; and

WHEREAS, West Texans stand together to face difficulty, including devastating heartbreak in the struggle to move forward and face the emotional realities of searching for "new normals" where life will never be the same; and

WHEREAS, West Texas is our collective home and we value the safety and security of that home for all West Texans;

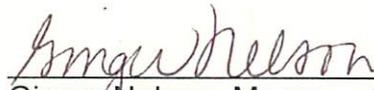
NOW, THEREFORE, WE, MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, of the City of Amarillo, Texas, do hereby proclaim the week of August 12, 2019 as:

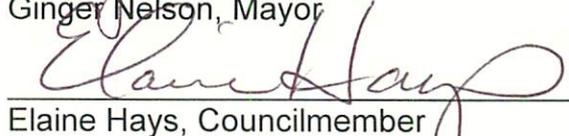
"El Paso Strong – El Paso Fuerte Week"

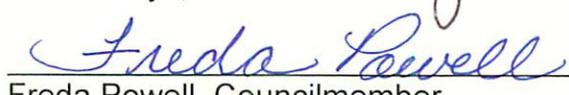
and stand behind the people and leadership of our sister West Texas city as they grieve, move forward in hope and stand strong for a future that is safe and secure for all people. We call on all citizens to continue to carry El Paso and every person effected by this tragedy in their thoughts and prayers.

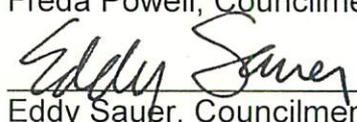
GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL OF OFFICE this 13th day of August, 2019.

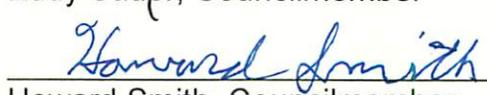



Ginger Nelson, Mayor


Elaine Hays, Councilmember


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Eddy Sauer, Councilmember


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