

Resolution



2014 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

Whereas, September 21, 2014 marks the 30th anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly “*Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace,*”

Which Emphasizes that ensuring the exercise of the *Right of Peoples to Peace* demands that the policies of States be directed towards the elimination of the threat of war, the renunciation of the use of force in international relations and the settlement of international disputes by peaceful means on the basis of the Charter of the United Nations; and

Whereas, Convinced that life without war serves as the primary international pre-requisite for the material well-being, development and progress of countries, and for the full implementation of the rights and fundamental human freedoms proclaimed by the United Nations; and

Whereas, In 1987, Peacemakers Incorporated was founded in Dallas, Texas as a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization by journalist and author Vivian Anderson Castleberry. Peacemakers hosted the First International Women’s Peace Conference in 1988, followed by two more such conferences in Dallas, involving three Nobel Peace Laureates and over 4,000 delegates from 57 countries; and

Whereas, Peacemakers has promoted peace education programs locally and internationally, and has sponsored and partnered with other community organizations, such as the University of North Texas through the Castleberry Peace Institute since 2009, and the Dallas Chapter of United Nations Association; and

Whereas, Peacemakers has honored peace patrons, sponsored and conducted outreach programs to benefit refugees and victims of war, and has sponsored an annual celebration for Dallas to celebrate the United Nations International Day of Peace since 2011; and

Whereas, Peacemakers has promoted and supported Dallas community programs, such as the Mayor’s campaign against domestic violence and abuse;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in observance of the 27th anniversary of Peacemakers Incorporated, the Dallas County Commissioners Court, does hereby proclaim September 21, 2014 to be:

“International Peacemakers Day”

Signed this 18TH day of September, 2014, in Dallas County, Texas

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. Theresa Daniel", is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Theresa Daniel
Dallas County Commission
District 1