

Resolution



ORDER NO. 2018-1057

DATE: September 18, 2018

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 21st day of September, 2018, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa Daniel, Commissioner of District 1 and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4, the following Resolution was adopted:

Whereas, each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on September 21st. The U.N. General Assembly declared this a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples. Peace Day provides a globally shared date for humanity to commit to peace above all differences and to contribute to building a culture of peace. This year, the U.N. Peace Day Theme is "The right to Peace – The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70"; and

Whereas, on November 12th, 1984, the U.N. General Assembly adopted the "*Declaration of the Right of Peoples to Peace*" in its Resolution 39/11. This declaration emphasizes 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 United Nations Charter.

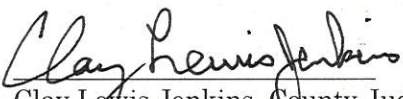
Whereas, the right to peace resolution contains four substantive sections: 1. The solemn proclamation that the peoples of our planet have a sacred right to peace; 2. The solemn declaration that the preservation of the right of peoples to peace and the promotion of its implementation constitute a fundamental obligation of each State; 3. The demand that the policies of States be directed towards the elimination of the threat of war, particularly nuclear 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; 4. The supplication to all States and all international organizations to do their utmost in implementing the right of peoples to peace; 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 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 and the Dallas Chapter of United Nations Association. Peacemakers has sponsored and conducted outreach programs to benefit refugees and victims of war, supported Dallas-based programs, such as the mayor's campaign against domestic violence, and has sponsored an annual celebration of International Day of Peace since 2011.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in observance of the 36th anniversary of International Day of Peace, the Dallas County Commissioners Court, does hereby proclaim September 21, 2018 to be *International Day of Peace*.

DONE IN OPEN COURT this the 18th day of September 2018.


Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge


Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, District 1


Mike Cantrell, District 2


John Wiley Price, District 3


Dr. Elba Garcia, District 4