



1st Annual Citizenship Week

Whereas, the City of Houston 1st Annual Citizenship Week will be held from November 16 – 20, 2009; and,

Whereas, the 1st Annual Citizenship Week provides an opportunity to reflect on the value of citizenship, and to focus on the privileges, rights, responsibilities and obligations of all citizens; and,

Whereas, our citizens are a vibrant mix of Houston-born, transplants from other American cities and states, immigrants, refugees, foreign students and international resident workers; and,

Whereas, the many social and economic contributions and accomplishments made by our vast and diverse immigrant refugee population will be highlighted throughout the week's events; and,

Whereas, the event steering committee is comprised of community leaders, the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Immigrant & Refugee Affairs, Mayor's Citizens' Assistance Office, Mayor's Office of Immigrant & Refugee Affairs and other selected partners.

Therefore, I, Bill White, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaim November 16 - 20, 2009, as the

1st Annual Citizenship Week

in Houston, Texas.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 12th day of November, 2009.

Bill White

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Mayor of the City of Houston