Proclamation

From the Mayor of Haslet, Texas

Declaring July, 2016 as Dr. Karen Rue Month in the City of Haslet.

WHEREAS, after serving 11 years as NISD Superintendent and 37 years in public education, Dr. Karen Rue has announced that she intends to retire in July, 2016; and

WHEREAS, during her time as Superintendent at NISD, school enrollment has increased from 7700 to over 21,000 students; and

WHEREAS, this rapid growth was achieved through the implementation of a detailed Strategic Plan, and a future-ready philosophy was embedded throughout the district; and

WHEREAS, during that 11 year period as NISD Superintendent, local citizens passed three separate Bond Referendums, totaling $739.5M dollars, giving clear evidence of the creditability of Dr. Rue and the NISD School Board, and

WHEREAS, as a result of those Bond Referendums, NISD opened a total of 15 schools in 11 years, 3 high schools, 2 middle schools, and 10 elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, during this same 11 year period, 8 different career Academies were opened at their respective high schools, resulting in more high level job training and preparation for our students to enter the work force; and

WHEREAS, digital learning initiatives originating in NISD received numerous recognitions throughout the state and nation, all high school students and eventually all middle school students have been issued netbooks; and

WHEREAS, the awards received by all levels of NISD are too numerous to mention, individual student and educators have been singled out for outstanding achievement, as well as groups, teams, and schools in NISD; and

WHEREAS, while sharing and or displacing the "spotlight" is part of Dr. Rue's leadership style, there is no argument that most of NISD's accomplishments during this remarkable 11 year period have Dr. Rue's fingerprints on them; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate to recognize the inspirational leadership she has provided and the infectious enthusiasm for our students that Dr. Rue has exhibited on a day to day basis, the City of Haslet wants to take this opportunity to recognize Dr. Karen Rue for her outstanding service to our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Golden, Mayor of Haslet, with and on the behalf of the City Council and citizens of the City of Haslet, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of July, 2016 as Dr. Karen Rue Month in the City of Haslet, and encourage citizens to further acknowledge her numerous contributions to our community by recognizing and applauding her in any way they can.

ISSUED: June 20, 2016

Bob Golden, Mayor