



Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

WHEREAS, in recent years, Mesquite has garnered attention as the State of Texas's location of choice for the furniture industry; and

WHEREAS, Mesquite is home to Elements International and Steve Silver Co., two of the largest furniture producers and distributors in the state, as well as Ashley Furniture, the world's-largest furniture manufacturing and distribution company; and

WHEREAS, employment in the furniture industry in Mesquite is three times the national average, grew by 349% in the past five years, and is projected to maintain and increase said level of employment over the next five years; and

WHEREAS, the furniture industry has been identified in Mesquite's Economic Development Strategic Plan as the one of seven key industry clusters and local members of this industry are working together to strengthen the cluster and the future economic vitality of Mesquite; and

WHEREAS, Quality Home, a furniture-industry retailer in Mesquite for more than 40 years, has redeveloped a highly visible property along U.S. Highway 80, expanding three times its previous size, making a \$2.5 million dollar investment, adding new jobs, and attracting new customers to the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Daniel Alemán, Jr., Mayor of the City of Mesquite, do hereby proclaim the 4th day of May 2023, as:

Furniture Industry Day

in the City of Mesquite and urge Mesquite citizens to join me in recognizing the contributions of Quality Home under the leadership of founder and owner Stan Pickett, former Mesquite Mayor.

PROCLAIMED this 4th day of May 2023.



Mayor Daniel Alemán Jr.