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ORDINANCE NO. 2349

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS ESTABLISHING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS AND PROVIDING FOR THE DURATION, POWER AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE; PROVIDING THAT WELDON LACY SHALL BE CHAIRPERSON; PROVIDING FOR SEVEN (7) MEMBERS ON THE COMMITTEE; THAT THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT BIND THE CITY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, September 17, 1987, is the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Mesquite to become a designated Bicentennial City for the commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to establish a committee to develop and approve a program to commemorate the signing, and educate our citizens as to the meaning and significance of the Constitution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That there is hereby established the United States Constitution Bicentennial Committee of the City of Mesquite, Texas for the following term and with the following powers and duties:

A. Term: This committee shall be in effect until September 17, 1987.

B. Duties: It shall be the duty of the Committee to develop and approve plans for a commemorative program that will educate Mesquite residents about the meaning and significance of the United States Constitution; to coordinate efforts of those willing to lend their efforts in this cause and to accept, account for and expend donations to make the commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution a success.

C. Powers: The Committee hereby established shall have the power to solicit members and donations, to expend such donations and other funds as it may have on hand

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toward the success of the Bicentennial Commemoration; to coordinate efforts of various parties toward such goal; to contract in its name, but not in the name of the City of Mesquite, for any and all services, materials and other items which it may deem beneficial to its goal and to make such recommendations to the City Council as it may deem proper. It is expressly provided, however, that the Committee or any member thereof shall not have the power to bind the City of Mesquite in any manner.

SECTION 2. Composition. There is hereby appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council as Chairperson of said Committee Weldon Lacy. The Chairperson may solicit other members so as to make the total membership of said committee seven (7) and the membership may appoint officers as they may determine or deem proper and necessary.

SECTION 3. That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. The fact that it is necessary to begin preparations for the commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution immediately creates an urgency and emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication of said ordinance as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas on the 6th day of October, A.D., 1986.

Mrs. Brunhilde Mystrom
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Zynn Prugel / City Secretary

Elland Archer City Attorney

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