

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

City of Hurst

Amateur Radio operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice broadcast over the airwaves; and

Amateur Radio has continued to provide a bridge between people, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas and is the leading organization for Amateur Radio in the USA; and

Amateur Radio Operators have also provided countless hours of community services, wholly uncompensated, both in emergencies and to other local organizations throughout these decades; and

The State also recognizes the services Amateur Radio's people provide to our many Emergency Response organizations, including Tarrant County. These same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events; and

The City of Hurst recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the US Government Weather Bureau; and

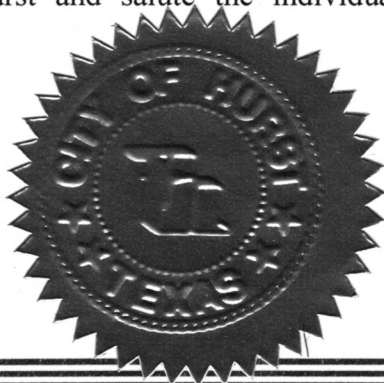
Amateur Radio once again proved its undisputed relevance in the modern world in 2005 by providing emergency communications when other systems failed in the devastation of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the USA and in the Tsunami catastrophe overseas; and

The ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise will take place on June 22-23, 2013 and is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the Radio Amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure being required.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard Ward, Mayor of the City of Hurst, Texas, on behalf of the entire City Council and all of our citizens, do hereby officially recognize and designate June 17-23 as

Amateur Radio Week

in the City of Hurst and salute the individuals who unselfishly dedicate their time to a worthy commitment.



Witness my Hand and the Official Seal of the City of Hurst, Texas, on this the 11th day of June 2013.

Richard Ward
Richard Ward, Mayor