

## PROCLAMATION

### **Honoring the Grapevine Police Department and Texas Game Warden Tristan Pokorney for Exemplary Service in the Aftermath of the Tragic Death of Ava Moore**

*WHEREAS, on Sunday, May 25, 2025, 18-year-old Ava Moore tragically lost her life in a fatal hit-and-run collision while kayaking on Grapevine Lake after being struck by a jet ski; and*

*WHEREAS emergency personnel from the Grapevine Fire Department responded swiftly to the scene near Oak Grove Park, administering life-saving efforts and transporting Ava to Baylor Scott and White Medical Center in Grapevine, where she was later pronounced deceased due to the severity of her injuries; and*

*WHEREAS Detectives Nicole Johnson and Joe Moeller of the Grapevine Police Department swiftly initiated a criminal investigation, releasing suspect images and diligently pursuing those believed to be responsible for the hit-and-run—one of whom fled the scene with a male companion, collided with another vehicle during their escape, and ultimately abandoned their car near the Cobblestone Apartments; and*

*WHEREAS, the Texas Game Wardens, led by Game Warden Tristan Pokorney, conducted a parallel and thorough investigation into the watercraft collision, examining the jet ski, gathering witness statements, and supporting Grapevine detectives in reconstructing the timeline of events; and*

*WHEREAS, through the combined and collaborative efforts of the Grapevine Police Department, Texas Game Wardens, and supporting law enforcement agencies, both suspects were identified and apprehended, bringing justice one step closer in this heartbreaking case; and*

*WHEREAS the actions of these public servants demonstrated extraordinary professionalism, determination, and commitment to public safety, offering solace to a grieving family and reassurance to a community in mourning; and*

*WHEREAS, Ava Moore, a recent appointee to the United States Air Force Academy Preparatory School, embodied the spirit of service, excellence, and promise, and her memory will forever remain in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tarrant County Commissioners Court hereby honors and extends its deepest gratitude to **Grapevine Police Detectives Nicole Johnson and Joe Moeller**, along with **Texas Game Warden Tristan Pokorney**, for their outstanding dedication and swift actions in the pursuit of justice for Ava Moore.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that their efforts serve as a shining example of the courage and compassion that define the very best in law enforcement. Their commitment is a true blessing to our community and the State of Texas.*

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this 1st day of July 2025.*