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WHEREAS: The Marco Polo Foundation will hold its Sixth Annual DFW Dragon Boat, Kite

and Lantern Festival on Sunday, May 15, 2011; and

WHEREAS: The Dragon Boat, Kite and Lantern Festival brings the sport of dragon boat

racing to the Dallas Fort Worth area and is a proven team-building activity;

and

WHEREAS: In 2010, 36 teams entered into the race; including teams such as Boy Scouts of

America, to corporate entities, non-profit community teams, and professional

teams that come from Houston and Austin to participate; and

WHEREAS: The festival also includes a kite and lantern festival, booths that will have

handcrafts and booths with ethnic food; and

WHEREAS: The City of Irving is proud to be a strong supporter of the 2011 Dragon Boat,

Kite and Lantern Festival.

**NOW THEREFORE, I,** Herbert A. Gears, Mayor of the city of Irving, Texas, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 15, 2011, as:

## Dragon Boat, Kite and Lantern Festival day

in Irving, Texas, and urge appropriate recognition thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 15th day of May, 2011.

Herbert A. Gears, Mayor