WHEREAS: the Chinese Institute of Engineers was founded in 1917 in New York by a group of Chinese engineers who graduated from American universities and worked in various industries in the United States; and

WHEREAS: these were the earliest Chinese engineers exposed to modern technologies and were responsible for most of the early technology transfers between the United States and China; and

WHEREAS: in 1977 the Institute was renamed the "Chinese Institute of Engineers, USA" (CIE/USA), with a mission to serve members throughout the United States, and to date the CIE/USA has six chapters; and

WHEREAS: the Dallas For-Worth Area Chapter (CIE/USA-DFW) was established in 1989 and has maintained close ties with major corporations and government bodies around the world; and

WHEREAS: CIE/USA promotes joint interest and partnerships in technology in the United States, China and Taiwan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas Athas, Mayor of the City of Garland, Texas, do hereby proclaim August 16, 2014 as

Chinese Institute of Engineers USA/DFW Day

in Garland, Texas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Garland, Texas, to be affixed on this 16th day of August 2014.