

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR / CITY OF DALLAS



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, encephalitis is inflammation of the brain; and

**WHEREAS**, encephalitis can strike anyone, anywhere, at any time, and at any age, resulting in a serious and sometimes life-threatening medical emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, encephalitis impacts an estimated 20,000 people in the United States and 500,000 people globally each year; and

**WHEREAS**, encephalitis leaves survivors with an acquired brain injury, affecting not only the diagnosed individual but the entire family and community at large; and

**WHEREAS**, the 501©(3) organization Encephalitis411 strives to improve the quality of life for all those impacted by encephalitis; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that there be greater public awareness of this serious health issue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ERIC JOHNSON, MAYOR OF DALLAS**, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2023 as

## **ENCEPHALITIS AWARENESS DAY**

in Dallas, Texas. I encourage residents to support World Encephalitis Day and to learn the symptoms of encephalitis in order to raise awareness and better support early diagnosis and treatment for those who become ill with this neurological condition.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Johnson', written over a horizontal line.

*Mayor, The City of Dallas*

