PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the City of Dunwoody recognizes the diversity and cultural richness of its residents; and

Whereas, Diwali, also known as the Festival of Lights, is one of the most significant and widely celebrated festivals in the Indian subcontinent, representing the victory of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, and good over evil; and

Whereas, Diwali is celebrated by millions of people worldwide, including a vibrant and growing community within the City of Dunwoody; and

Whereas, Diwali serves as a reminder of the importance of unity, compassion, and the triumph of righteousness in our daily lives; and

Whereas, the City of Dunwoody values and appreciates the contributions of its diverse community members and aims to foster an inclusive environment that respects and promotes cultural understanding and awareness;

Now, therefore, I, Lynn Deutsch, Mayor of the City of Dunwoody, do hereby proclaim November 12, 2023 as "Diwali, the Festival of Lights Day" in the City of Dunwoody, and encourage all residents to join in the celebration of this joyous occasion.

I call upon our citizens to learn about Diwali, engage in cultural exchange, and embrace the principles of peace, harmony, and goodwill that this festival embodies. By doing so, we strengthen the fabric of our community and promote the values that make Dunwoody a welcoming and inclusive place for all.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Dunwoody to be affixed this 30th Day of October, in the year 2023.

	Approved:
	Lynn P. Deutsch, Mayor
Attest:	
Sharon Lowery, City Clerk (SEAL)	
(SLAL)	