

**JAMES EDWARDS  
COUNCIL'S VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, a basic ingredient in the foundation of any community is the voluntary acceptance of initiative and responsibility by private citizens, and this fact is an important aspect in the progress and development of our fine City of Plano; and

**WHEREAS**, many citizens of this community contribute to the well-being of fellow residents and the welfare of all our citizens by giving tirelessly of their time and energy without desire for recognition or remuneration of personal gain; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteerism is a way for all of us to respond to community concerns and enhance the quality of life for others; and

**WHEREAS**, James Edwards has been a leading advocate of the rehabilitation of the Wyatt North neighborhood and has given a great deal of personal time and physical effort to make sure the neighborhood is a better place to live; and

**WHEREAS**, James has worked with various City departments for the best of the neighborhood. For example, he has assisted the Plano Police Department to help get some the crime in the area under control;

**WHEREAS**, James was instrumental in starting a neighborhood association with his neighbors and is involved in the area Crime Watch program, keeping a watchful eye out for those in the neighborhood in need of help; and

**WHEREAS**, James participates with the Sunrise Rotary to clean alleys, paint the houses of people in need; and he helps to clean up the neighborhood - not only during the Great American Cleanup - but throughout the year. James is the "go to" person to get something done for his neighborhood;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAT EVANS, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS**, do hereby bestow **Special Recognition** upon **James Edwards** as **Council's Volunteer of the Month** and do thereby encourage all citizens to join the City Council and me in expressing our most sincere appreciation for the major contributions he makes as a volunteer in our community.

