

# Proclamation

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

**Whereas**, the International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economic development organization dedicated to serving economic developers, and

**Whereas**, the International Economic Development Council provides leadership and excellence in economic development for communities, members, and partners through conferences, training courses, advisory services and research, in-depth publications, public policy advocacy, and initiatives such as the Accredited Economic Development Organization program, the Certified Economic Developer designation, and the Entrepreneurship Development Professional, and

**Whereas**, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base, and

**Whereas**, economic developers stimulate and incubate entrepreneurship in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of the American economy, and

**Whereas**, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions, and

**Whereas**, economic developers help create conditions which attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions, and

**Whereas**, economic developers work in the City of Rockdale within the State of Texas.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Rockdale recognizes the week of May 8 through May 12, 2023, as Economic Development Week, and remind individuals of the importance of this community celebration which supports expanding career opportunities and making lives better.

*May 8-12, 2023 Economic Development Week in Rockdale, Texas*

*In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.*

  
Brett M. Boren, Mayor