



Office of the Mayor

P r o c l a m a t i o n

WHEREAS, we gather today to celebrate, honor and show our mutual respect for Dr. Merlyn L. Harger, who has over 47 years of experience in the optometry field; remarkably, all of those years have been in the City of Deer Park; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harger opened his practice in 1968, the Lubbock native was the only optometrist in town; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harger came to Houston to study at the University of Houston after beginning to pave the way for his profession at Texas Tech University in Lubbock; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harger is married to Helen Harger and has two stepdaughters, Belinda Lowrie and Bethany Kutansek; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harger has not only served the Deer Park community, but he still found time to help others. Through the Deer Park Rotary Club, Harger volunteered in Mexico twice a year for many years to provide vision care for indigent persons living in the mountain town of Guerrero; and

WHEREAS, please join me in applauding Dr. Merlyn L. Harger for the tireless dedication and service he has given to the community, the surrounding cities, and the country of Mexico. Your service and dedication will go down in history and thank you for the example you have shown.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JERRY MOUTON, Mayor of the City of Deer Park, along with the Deer Park City Council do hereby proclaim October 21, 2020 as

"DR. MERLYN L. HARGER DAY"

For the dedicated service and care he has provided in his office or in the mountains of Mexico, Dr. Harger has been essential to our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Deer Park to be affixed hereto this twenty first day of October, Two Thousand and Twenty, A.D.

**Jerry Mouton, Mayor
City of Deer Park, Texas**