Office of the Mayor

## Tomball, Texas

## Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, **Rachel Ann Nut,** who is 8 years old, is a beautiful young lady who attends the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at Willow Creek Elementary, loves her beagle, Trooper, paints, sings, and never meets a stranger; and

WHEREAS, Rachel, who has Down Syndrome, loves to ride the bus to school daily, attends the YMCA After-School Program at Willow Creek with her many friends, and participates in ballet every Saturday through a partnership between the Houston Ballet and the Down Syndrome Association of Houston; and

**WHEREAS**, **Rachel** loves the Disney princesses, especially Elsa and Anna from "*Frozen*", Snow White., Merida from "*Brave*", and Cinderella, but is also a huge fan of Spiderman and adores her big brother, Michael, who attends 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Northpointe Intermediate and plays on the Tomball Patriots football team; and

WHEREAS, Rachel is one of the models for the Down Syndrome Association of Houston's 2015 calendar, which will be revealed at this year's Buddy Walk; and

WHEREAS, Rachel and her family and friends will participate in the 2014 Buddy Walk on Saturday, November 8, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Minute Maid Park as "Team Rachel Ann Can", to raise awareness of Down Syndrome and to raise funds for the Down Syndrome Association of Houston;

WHEREAS, the City of Tomball, our community and citizens wish to recognize Rachel Ann Nut for her joy of life, her family, and friends, her generosity, and her "can-do" spirit; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GRETCHEN FAGAN, Mayor of the City of Tomball, on behalf of the Tomball City Council, do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 8, 2014 as:

## "TEAM RACHEL ANN CAN" DAY



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and coursed this seal to be affixed.

ATTEST: Don Speer

October 31, 2014