

# *Proclamation*

## **BLAKE COLEMAN BACK-TO-BACK STANLEY CUP WINS**

**WHEREAS**, Blake Coleman, National Hockey League (NHL) player, was born and raised in Plano and is the first Texan to win the Stanley Cup, not once, but back-to-back; he played for the Tampa Bay Lightning team that won its second Cup playing against the Montreal Canadiens; and

**WHEREAS**, he was a die-hard Dallas Stars fan while growing up in Plano, playing in the Stars Youth system on his way to becoming the first Plano raised hockey player in the NHL; and

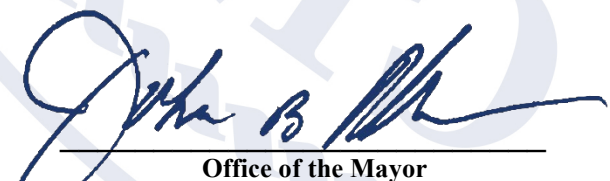
**WHEREAS**, Blake scored two goals in the Cup finals, including a spectacular one-handed diving goal to tie the score with three-tenths of a second remaining in the second period of Game 2; and

**WHEREAS**, Blake scored 14 goals and 31 points in 55 games with the Lightning last season and played an important role in the team's Stanley Cup victories; and

**WHEREAS**, Blake was drafted by the New Jersey Devils in 2011, made his NHL Debut in 2016 with the team, and was traded to Tampa Bay last year; he is known to be a fierce competitor, a goal scorer, and an elite penalty-taker; he brings a physical presence to the game; and

**WHEREAS**, Blake became a free agent after this championship season and recently signed a six-year deal with the Calgary Flames;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN B. MUNS, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS**, do hereby proclaim **Monday, August 23, 2021** as **Blake Coleman Two-Time Stanley Cup Champion Day** in Plano, and I do thereby encourage all citizens to join me and the Plano City Council in congratulating Blake and his former team, the Tampa Bay Lightning, on winning back-to-back Stanley Cups. You make us Plano Proud!



Office of the Mayor

