

*Office of the Mayor*  
*Proclamation*

- WHEREAS:** Texans joined forces earlier this year to defeat HB 1324, a bill to legalize horse slaughter for human consumption; and
- WHEREAS:** Although the bill was defeated, two foreign owned horse slaughter plants in Texas (Fort Worth and Kaufman), the only two remaining in the nation, are still open for business slaughtering up to 1,000 horses a week; and
- WHEREAS:** The horses are slaughtered alive and the meat is shipped to France, Belgium, and Japan, where horse meat is eaten as a delicacy; and
- WHEREAS:** To end the brutal slaughter of horses, citizens are encouraged to write their U.S. Representatives and urge them to support and co-sponsor the American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act (HR857); and
- WHEREAS:** After California voters outlawed live horse slaughter for human consumption in 1998, reports of horse theft dropped in that state by 34%; and
- WHEREAS:** If passed, HR857 would prohibit the slaughter of horses for human consumption as well as the transport of horses across state lines and U.S. borders for the purpose of slaughter.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Lori L. DeLuca, Mayor of the Town of Flower Mound, Texas, do hereby proclaim:

*September 15, 2003*

*As*

*American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act Day*

in Flower Mound, and encourage all citizens to be aware of these acts in our state and to support the American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act by contacting their U.S. Representatives.

**Proclaimed this 15th day of September, 2003.**



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lori L. DeLuca".

Lori L. DeLuca, MAYOR  
Town of Flower Mound, Texas