



## *Children's Medical Center Centennial*

**WHEREAS**, the faith of a few can save millions by inspiring thousands to believe in the same dream, and

**WHEREAS**, four donated tents in primitive conditions became the line in the sand drawn by May Forster Smith and a group of nurses and volunteer physicians against the diseases and malnutrition killing up to fifteen babies a day before the advent of pediatric medicine, and

**WHEREAS**, such humble beginnings begat one of the world's premiere pediatric health organizations, receiving almost 700,000 patient visits every year, along with pioneering research and pediatric training to benefit countless children and their families into the future, and

**WHEREAS**, though now the fifth largest pediatric healthcare provider in America, Children's Medical Center's mission remains unchanged since May Forster Smith;

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE**, the Collin County Commissioners Court, on behalf of the citizens of Collin County, do hereby celebrate the first one hundred years of **Children's Medical Center** and the millions of children whose lives have been saved and enriched in this century of service. In witness thereof, we hereunto set our hands this tenth day of June, in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.

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Keith Self, County Judge

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Matt Shaheen, Commissioner, Pct. 1

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Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2

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Chris Hill, Commissioner, Pct. 3

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Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4