



*Office of the Mayor*

**Phil Dyer  
MAYOR**

**May 16, 2010**

Greetings!

On behalf of the City of Plano I extend a welcome to the members of the Marco Polo World Foundation on the fourth year of the Dallas-Ft. Worth Dragon Boat, Kite and Lantern Festival.

We all benefit from your membership's dedication to enhancing our quality of life through the introduction and promotion of the sport of dragon boating in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. The Festival showcases Asian culture, enhances intercultural understanding, and celebrates the Asian/Pacific heritage. You continue to play an important role in the betterment of our North Texas region, and it is much appreciated.

We are proud to share a centuries old tradition of camaraderie based on the celebration of the team building sport of Dragon Boat racing that originated in China over 2,000 years ago. The kite flying, lantern display, cultural performances, arts and crafts, and educational activities will enhance the enjoyment of all participants.

I congratulate the Foundation on organizing this wonderful Festival and offer my heartfelt wishes for a most successful and enjoyable event.

Sincerely,

**Phil Dyer  
MAYOR**