

# Press Release

For Immediate Release

**DATE:** Wednesday, April 2, 2025

**TIME:** 6:30 PM to 8 PM

**LOCATION:** The Hope Center, 2001 Plano Parkway, Plano

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In 2022, the Dallas City Council unanimously adopted a resolution condemning the Russian Invasion of Ukraine and suspending their Sister City ties with Saratov, Russia. Two years later at the World Economic Forum, discussions between the City of Dallas and the City of Kharkiv, Ukraine led to the signing of a Friendship Agreement – a commitment between the two cities to begin a productive partnership including economic, educational and cultural exchange.

Ukraine is similar in size to Texas, and the largest country entirely in Europe! The opportunities for economic growth are endless as they aspire to join the European Union and build their economy to be productive and successful. North Texas companies can be part of the growth and prosperity while learning about Ukrainian culture.

Even as Russia continues to heavily bomb the second largest city in Ukraine, Kharkiv still stands. This is a testament to the Ukrainian resilience and determination to be a free nation. Their vision, hopes and dreams align with all free nations who respect the rule of law, recognize the sovereignty of others and embrace democracy. Rebuilding Ukraine on a solid security guarantee of nations will ensure the success not only of Ukraine, but of the entire world which supports peace.

The Ukrainian community and supporters of Ukraine will welcome Mayor Ihor Terekhov with planned activities starting at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at The Hope Center in Plano. The Program will include statements from The Consulate General of Ukraine, Vitalii Tarasiuk, Ukrainian Groups, musical compositions, Prayer for Peace in Ukraine and a brief Q&A session. The mayor will also share information and videos about his war-torn city of over 1.4 million residents.

This is a special opportunity for our community to join together and show our support for the brave people of Ukraine, who continue to endure unimaginable pain and suffering. They know that if Putin stops fighting, the war ends, but if they stop fighting, Ukraine ceases to exist. Stand With Ukraine!

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