



United Eritrean-American Families invited to Eritrean Flag Dedication at the Dallas City Hall

The City Council of Dallas in conjunction with the Mayor of Dallas, Mike Rawlings, recently invited the United Eritrean-American Families (UEAF) for a Flag Dedication. Many Eritrean community members were in attendance, some wearing their native country's cultural dress to proudly present their nation's flag to the City Council of Dallas and join the International Flags in the Dallas City Hall Flag Room. The ceremony included the playing of Eritrea's national anthem by flutist Sharon Kidan Fitwi (age 16) and a warm welcome from the Africa Liaison for the City of Dallas, Regina Hill Onyibe.

Tekeste Woldezghi, Chairperson of the UEAF, shared the history of the Eritrean people and the development of the community residing in Dallas County over the past forty years. He spoke on the Eritrean community's most significant contributions like the hosting of sporting and cultural festivals, which attracted large numbers of guests to Dallas county and receiving proclamations from the mayors of many cities in Dallas County. Kesete Yohannes, Treasurer of the UEAF outlined their continued contributions to the city of Dallas with their participation in various DFW community activities and serving as members of DFW Community Alliances. City Councilman Dwaine R. Caraway also shared a few words of his admiration of the Eritrean community's contributions to the city of Dallas. The ceremony was a successful event that celebrated the diversity of world cultures in the Dallas/Fort Worth metropolitan area.