

Collin County Going the **Extra Mile (GEM)** Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Joel Thornton

Honoree's Job Title: Equipment Technician

Department: Public Works/Equipment Services

Years of Service with the County: 17 years & 3 months

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

Throughout his employment with Collin County, Mr. Thornton has always been known to help out wherever he can. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Mr. Thornton was always willing to work the night shift without any complaint, and do what he needed to in order to help ensure the health and safety of his fellow co-workers.

Additionally, I received a call from a resident, who expressed their appreciation for his assistance. While making a trip to Home Depot, Mr. Thornton noticed the resident needed assistance loading materials into their vehicle, and took the time to help them. Mr. Thornton's willingness to help others exemplifies what it means to be a Public Works employee.

For his hard work ethic and willingness to help others, I nominate Joel Thornton for the GEM award.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 28 day of Sept., 2020



Signature of Elected Official
or Department Head



Printed Name