Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Keith Henslee

Honoree's Job Title: Deputy Chief Investigator

Department: District Attorney

Years of Service with the County: 17 years

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

March 1, 2020 - June 22, 2020

Deputy Chief Henslee takes on many duties as a supervisor and in ensuring that our office is safe daily. However, often Deputy Henslee also steps beyond his role of supervisor and goes above and beyond to assist prosecutors even when he's not directly assigned to do so.

In *The State of Texas v. W. Magers*, Collin County was tasked with a pro tem assignment prosecuting a County Judge for DWI 2nd, and amid a pandemic and state-wide shutdown in March and April, Deputy Henslee volunteered himself to assist as the investigator. This assignment presented numerous difficulties retrieving evidence from offices that were closed or were otherwise operating under very abnormal circumstances. He traveled many times to Grayson County for filings and transferal of evidence and navigated each difficulty as county offices were closed in a seamless yet determined fashion. Deputy Henslee attended the trial before the Court in person in June to assist prosecutors with evidence and witnesses and insisted on seeing the trial through in order to support the office.

Deputy Chief Henslee, while not currently assigned to a court or prosecutors, prioritizes helping out others and does so with incredible grit and determination.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 33rd day of September, 2020

Signature of Elected Official or Department Head

Printed Name