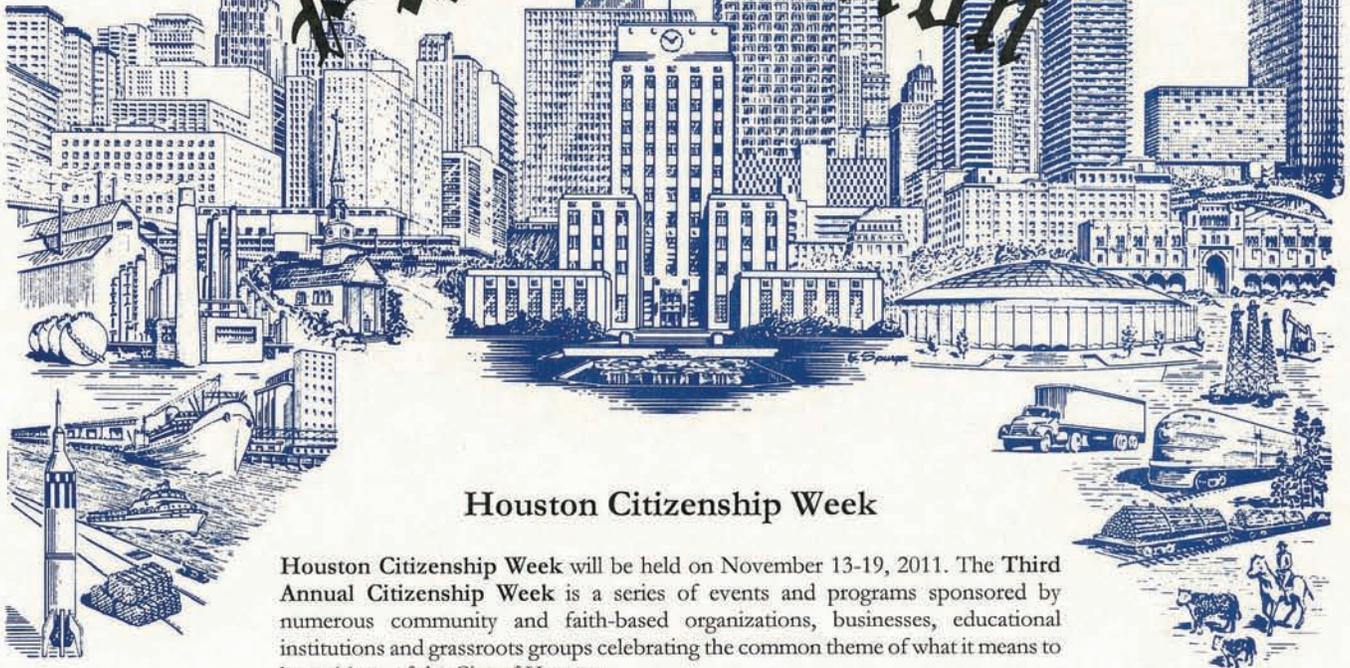




# Proclamation



## Houston Citizenship Week

Houston Citizenship Week will be held on November 13-19, 2011. The **Third Annual Citizenship Week** is a series of events and programs sponsored by numerous community and faith-based organizations, businesses, educational institutions and grassroots groups celebrating the common theme of what it means to be a citizen of the City of Houston.

The celebration of **Citizenship Week** provides an opportunity to reflect on the value of citizenship, and to focus on the privileges, rights, responsibilities and obligations of all citizens.

The city of Houston respects the rights and responsibilities of good citizens and is a city that embraces diversity and inclusiveness and refutes discrimination. Houston is a city built on dreams, but dreams powered by hard work, guided by common sense and inspired by creativity.

**Citizenship Week** events coincide with International Student Week and will underscore how Houston's diverse ethnic and immigrant communities are integrated into the life of the city, and demonstrate how the richness of their traditions and values promotes social cohesion and builds secure and vibrant neighborhoods.

Especially during **Houston Citizenship Week**, leaders from all sectors promote recognition of and respect for diversity as skills and attitudes necessary for active citizenship, productive workplaces and healthy communities.

Therefore, I, Mayor Annise D. Parker, hereby proclaim November 13-19 2011 as

## Houston Citizenship Week

in Houston, Texas.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

Annise D. Parker  
Mayor of the City of Houston