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PROCLAMATION

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, sexual assault affects every person in Johnson County either as a victim/survivor of sexual assault or as a family member, significant other, friend, neighbor, or co-worker; and

WHEREAS, this years theme: "Renewing Our Mission," personifies our commitment to serving sexual assault survivors by acknowledging, invigorating and rededicating ourselves to the goal of eliminating sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Johnson County are working to provide quality services and assistance to sexual survivors, through staffing 24-hour hotlines, responding to emergency calls and offering support, comfort and advocacy during medical exams and criminal justice proceedings; and

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NOW THEREFORE, I, Roger Harmon, County Judge of Johnson County, and we the Commissioners of the four precincts of Johnson County, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2002 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Johnson County and urge all citizens to work together to reduce child abuse and neglect and to significantly improve the response of our community when child abuse occurs in the months and years ahead.

- WHEREAS, Family Crisis Center, other sexual assault programs, and other professionals and advocates of non-violence have joined together as the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA) to support each other in our work and to provide Johnson County and State of Texas and our citizens with a central source of information on sexual assault; and
- WHEREAS, during the month of April, Family Crisis Center will be intensifying efforts to promote public understanding of sexual violence and increase sensitivity to victims of sexual violence emphasizing the need for citizen involvement in efforts to reduce sexual assault through public education and changing public attitudes; and
- WHEREAS, Family Crisis Center will also be working to publicize their service, increase community support for their agency and increasing awareness of the healing potential for survivors;
- NOW THEREFORE, I, Roger Harmon, County Judge of Johnson County, and we the Commissioners of the four precincts of Johnson County, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2002 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Johnson County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this the 25th day of March 2002.

Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge

R.C. McFall, Commissioner Pct. #1

Ron Hirmon, Commissioner Pct. #2

Mark C. Carpenter, Commissioner Pct. #3

Troy Thompson, Commissioner Pct. #4

ATTEST:

Curtis H. Douglas, County Clerk

Sexual Assault Awareness Month CC: March 25, 2002