

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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STATE OF TEXAS §

PROCLAMATION

JOHNSON COUNTY §

NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy and dignity, security and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse including abuse to children and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence effect men, women, and children alike, are not confined to any gender, group or groups of people, but cut across all economic, racial and societal barriers, and are supported by societal indifferences; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting individuals and society as a whole, here in this community, throughout the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, according to data from the Texas Department of Public Safety, 114 women were killed by an intimate partner in Texas in 2012; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Johnson County had 951 incidents of violence reported. (This total comes from the TXDPS Texas Crime Report for 2013); and

WHEREAS, a coalition of organizations in our county work diligently to confront this crisis, including the Johnson County Family Crisis Center, law enforcement, health care providers, churches, and other concerned citizens are helping in the effort to end domestic violence; and

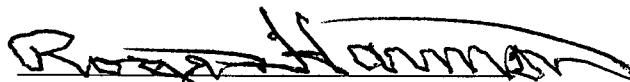
WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence themselves have been at the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home.


NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of the important work done by domestic violence programs, I, Roger Harmon, County Judge of Johnson County, and we the Commissioners of the four Precincts in Johnson County, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2014 as

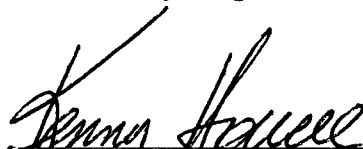
**“NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS
AND PREVENTION MONTH”**

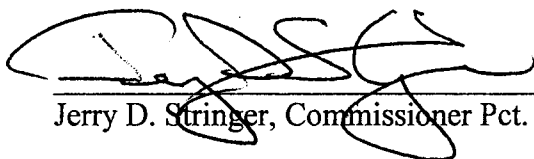
and urge all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs to work toward improving victim safety and holding perpetrators of domestic abuse accountable for their actions against individual victims and our society as a whole.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this the 14th day of October 2014.

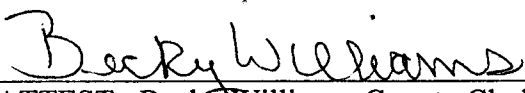

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ATTEST: Becky Williams, County Clerk

Proclamation:
National Domestic Violence Awareness Month
October 2014
Family Crisis Center

