

# JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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JOHNSON COUNTY

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PROCLAMATION

STATE OF TEXAS

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## NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAYS

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**WHEREAS,** the third Friday of each September has been nationally recognized as POW/MIA Recognition Day since 1979 to commemorate the Prisoners of War and Missing in Action military personnel whose whereabouts remain unknown; and

**WHEREAS,** this day is recognized throughout the nation and around the world on military installations, ships at sea, state capitols, schools, churches, national veteran and civic organizations, police and fire departments, fire stations, Federal buildings and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 50 Cleburne, The American Legion Cleburne Post 50 and the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 50 in Cleburne together with the other Veterans Service Organizations in Johnson County; and

**WHEREAS,** the remains of ten World War II and Korean servicemen have been identified and are being returned home to their families during the month of August, 2017 and an estimated 32,000 former POWs live among us nationally and World War II MIA are over 73,000; over 7,700 missing from the Korean War; 160 are unaccounted for from the Vietnam War and the number from our current war changes daily; and

**WHEREAS,** we wish to pay tribute to the service members who have not returned from the battlefield; to stand beside their families and honor those who are held captive as prisoners of war while we pledge to never forget their sacrifice, nor ever abandon our responsibility to do everything in our power to bring them home; and

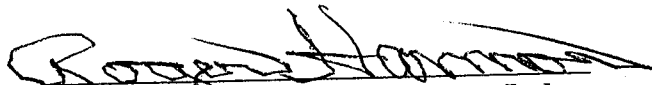
**WHEREAS,** Johnson County residents realize our work is not finished until our heroes are returned safely to our shores or a full accounting is provided to their loved ones and further desire to participate in the national POW/MIA Recognition Day inasmuch as there are families in Johnson County that still await knowledge of their loved-one's whereabouts since as long ago as World War I; and

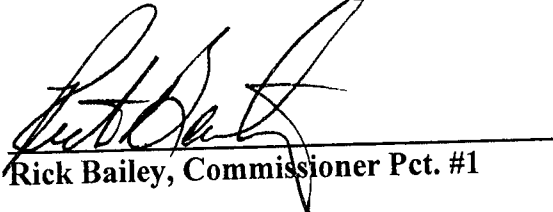
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I,** Roger Harmon, County Judge of Johnson County, and we the Commissioners of the four Precincts in Johnson County, Texas, do hereby proclaim September 15 – 17, 2017 as

**“NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAYS”**

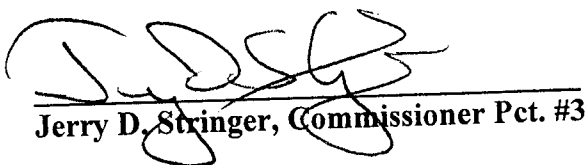
In Johnson County and I do hereby call upon residents of Johnson County to join me in honoring former American Prisoners of War who suffered the hardships of enemy captivity and in renewing our commitment to those still Missing in Action and encourage the wearing of yellow ribbons and the flying of the POW/MIA flag to symbolize this tribute.

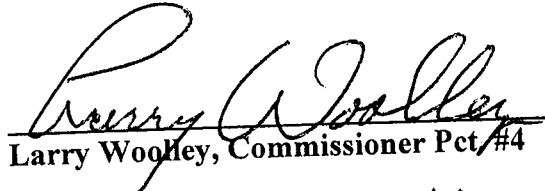
**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this the 11th day of September, 2017.


  
Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge

  
Rick Bailey, Commissioner Pct. #1

  
Kenny Howell, Commissioner Pct. #2

  
Jerry D. Stringer, Commissioner Pct. #3

  
Larry Woolley, Commissioner Pct. #4

  
ATTEST: Becky Ivey, County Clerk

Proclamation:  
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