

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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JOHNSON COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

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PROCLAMATION

“FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CLEBURNE 150th ANNIVERSARY”

WHEREAS, In 1867 Camp Henderson was a small settlement on the banks of Buffalo Creek. In April of that year it was named Cleburne and designated the county seat. In the same year, the Christian Church was organized by Elder B.F. Hall and a handful of faithful believers; and

WHEREAS, In February 1880 land was purchased and the First Christian Church was built on West Wardville Street at a cost of \$2,000. A belfry was constructed in front of the church and bell was rung on Sundays for the call to worship. That same bell hangs on the rock sign in front of the current church. It has been a part of all four churches; and

WHEREAS, 1902 and 1903 were exciting years for the First Christian Church of Cleburne. A new church building was built on the lot West of the existing church and dedicated. The new church hosted a thanksgiving service for all the churches in Cleburne. In December of 1903 the State Lectureship of the Christian Church convened at Cleburne for a four-day conference. Cleburne was on the map; and

WHEREAS, In 1938, the Church had again outgrown its building and a fund was established to build a new church. By October 1941 the new church on the lot North of the old church was finished and dedicated on the 19th of that month by Reverend Eulis H. Hall, the church minister, Dr. M.E. Sadler, TCU President, Dr. John Lord also of TCU. The L shaped building connected the Sunday school department to the Sanctuary. It also included the Pastor's study, lady's parlor, kitchen, dining room and classrooms. A homecoming celebration was held and many former ministers and past members attended; and

WHEREAS, The fourth and current church at 200 South Nolan River Road was finished in May of 1986, and on Sunday, Mother's Day the 11th of May the first worship service was held in the new sanctuary.


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 October 7, 2017 as

“FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF CLEBURNE RECOGNITION & APPRECIATION DAY”

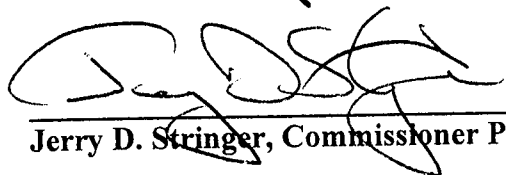
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT we do hereby urge the residents of Johnson County to recognize the history of the First Christian Church of Cleburne and join in prayer for continued Christian Growth in the Great State of Texas.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this the 18th day of September, 2017.



Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge


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ATTEST: Becky Frey, County Clerk

