JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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Commissioner Pct. #4

STATE OF TEXAS	§	
	§	RESOLUTION
COUNTY OF JOHNSON	§	

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO REMOVING COUNTY FIREWORKS REGULATION AUTHORITY

- WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature is considering proposals to add extra fireworks seasons to the periods during which fireworks retailers can sell fireworks without an order from a county commissioners court; and
- WHEREAS, home, property damage, injuries and wildfires increase during use and sale periods. The expansion of fireworks seasons could endanger the health, safety, and welfare of residents by eliminating the county authority to prohibit the sale of fireworks; and
- WHEREAS, counties currently have limited authority to regulate fireworks; and
- WHEREAS, due to dry weather and concern for public safety, such regulations are necessary to protect life and property; and
- WHEREAS, county officials can best determine the weather and potential fire status of Johnson County;
- WHEREAS, county governments are a critical link for emergency services. Without increased state funding to offset the increase in response from all emergency resulting from increased times when fireworks can be sold and used, resources for emergency services will be further and dramatically taxed;

THEREFORE, having received concerns from the Johnson County Sheriff, county and municipal fire officials and the County Director of Emergency Management, the Court

RESOLVES, that the Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas is opposed to any legislative action that would remove current county authority to regulate fireworks.

ADOPTED THIS THE 8th DAY OF APRIL, 2019

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we hereto set our hands and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on the 8th day of April, 2019.

Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge Voted:		
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Rick Bailey, Comm. Act. #1	Kenny Howell, Comm. Pct. #2	
Voted:yes, nd abstained	Voted: yes, no, abstained	
Jan Sa	Jany Walley	
Jerry D. Stringer, Comm. Pct. #3	Larry Wootley, Comm. Pct. #4	
Voted:yes,no,abstained	Voted:yes, no, abstained	
ATTEST: Beek Day		