

# JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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**JOHNSON COUNTY**

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**PROCLAMATION**

**STATE OF TEXAS**

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## LIFEGUARD YOUR CHILD

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**WHEREAS,** Texas is a leading state for child pool drownings and drowning is the leading cause of accidental death for children ages 1 to 4. This year, we are asking all parents and caregivers to Lifeguard the children in your life when they are around or in water; and

**WHEREAS,** It only takes two seconds for a drowning to occur. It is imperative that adults not be distracted when they are the designated adult watching children near or in water; and

**WHEREAS,** The "Lifeguard Your Child Campaign" is an initiative of Safe Kids North Texas led by Cook Children's Health Care System put into place to help prevent further child deaths that has been adopted by the Johnson County Child Fatality Review Team facilitated through the Children's Advocacy Center. "Lifeguard Your Child" is being implemented across Johnson County by first responders. Participating agencies include Alvarado PD, Burleson PD, Keene PD, Joshua Fire Department, Cleburne Fire Department and the Children's Advocacy Center's Child Fatality Review Team that is composed of Texas Department of State Health Services, Johnson County Child Protective Services, Cleburne Fire Department, Cleburne Police Department, Johnson County Sheriff's Office, the Johnson County Attorney's Office, Johnson County Juvenile Services, United Way of Johnson County and the Children's Advocacy Center; and

**WHEREAS,** The goal of increased awareness and understanding by caregivers, the public, pool supply companies/builders, public swimming locations and policymakers will aid in the prevention of further child deaths in Johnson County from drowning; and

**WHEREAS,** Engaging Johnson County as a partner with Safe Kids North Texas in the "Lifeguard Your Child" regional campaign; increases the reach of this year-round effort to provide ongoing education and awareness to protect children from drowning by implementing strategies such as Water Watcher tag use, pre-school education, pool ordinance updates, US Coast Guard Approved life jacket use, access to water safety lessons, and other layers of protection.

It is for this cause that the above named agencies have joined together to advocate for drowning prevention, education, awareness and support for the communities of Johnson County, Texas.

**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 the month of May 2019 as:

**“LIFEGUARD YOUR CHILD MONTH”**


and urge all citizens to support the effort to prevent further needless child deaths from drowning.

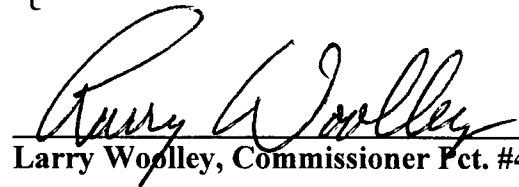
**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

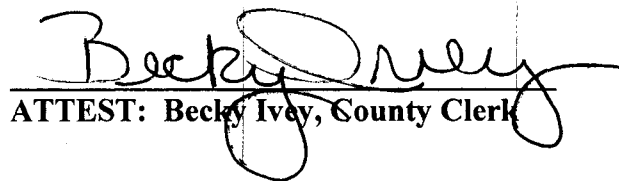
  
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ATTEST: Becky Ivey, County Clerk

