## JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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JOHNSON COUNTY

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PROCLAMATION

STATE OF TEXAS

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## JOHNSON COUNTY PURPLE HEART MEDAL RECIPIENTS' DAY OF HONOR

- WHEREAS, The Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration still in use and was initially created by George Washington in 1782 as the "Badge of Military Merit"; and
- WHEREAS, The Purple Heart was the first American Service Award made available to the common soldier and is awarded to any member of the United States Armed Services wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the United States and recognizes the spirit of volunteerism and selfless dedication of the average American which has been so fundamental to the American way of life; and
- WHEREAS, Countless Americans have been wounded in combat while defending our great Nation against armed enemies, it is most fitting that this special group of veterans be recognized for their outstanding contributions to our Nation's security; and
- WHEREAS, Chapter 1867 of The Military Order of the Purple Heart and American Legion Post 50 and American Legion Auxiliary Unit 50 and Squadron 50 Sons of the American Legion together with American Legion Auxiliary Unit 426 of Alvarado and Allmon-Burgess Memorial Post 12152 Veterans of Foreign Wars have chosen to recognize the National Day of Recognition of the Purple Heart designated August 7, 2019 as a day to Remember, Recognize and Honor Purple Heart Recipients; and

WHEREAS, Johnson County has over 14,000 veterans many of whom are Purple Heart Recipients and Johnson County wishes to pledge its strong support for these noble organizations and for those who put their lives at risk in service of their Country and their fellow citizens.

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 August 7, 2019 as:

## "JOHNSON COUNTY PURPLE HEART MEDAL RECIPIENTS' DAY OF HONOR"

And further urge citizens of Johnson County to display purple ribbons and decorations for this purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2019.

Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge

Rick Bailey, Commissioner Pct. #1

Jerry D. Stringer, Commissioner Pct. #3

ATTEST: Becky Ivey, County Clerk

Commissioner Pct. #2

Larry Woolley, Commissioner Pct. #4

Proclamation:
Johnson County Purple Heart Medal Recipients' Day of Honor
CC 07-22-2019