

# JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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STATE OF TEXAS

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JOHNSON COUNTY

PROCLAMATION

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## "CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH"

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**WHEREAS,** In 2019 there were 264,245 alleged child abuse victims in the state of Texas. There were 2,266 Intake Reports in Johnson County, 1,802 investigations currently open and 1,218 abuse or neglect completed investigations, there were 615 confirmed victims. Further, there were 306 children in conservatorship with CPS in 2019; and

**WHEREAS,** Child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people; and

**WHEREAS,** Effective child abuse prevention and service programs in Johnson County succeed because of partnerships among a variety of entities including but not limited to, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, child protective services, child welfare boards, rainbow rooms, prosecution agencies, medical professionals, mental health professionals, children's advocacy centers, crisis centers, CASA programs, and other community-based non-profit organizations; and

**WHEREAS,** Everyone in the community should be aware of the prevalence of child abuse and neglect, and understand that there are prevention programs available to help teach parents to raise their children in safe, nurturing environments as well as supporting local professionals dedicated to meeting the needs of child abuse victims;


**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 April, 2020, as:


**“CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH”**


in Johnson County and urge all citizens to work together to reduce child abuse and neglect and to significantly improve the response of our community when child abuse or neglect occurs in the months and years ahead.


**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this, the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2020.

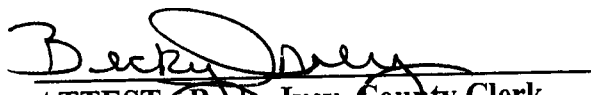
  
Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge

  
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ATTEST: Becky Ivey, County Clerk

Proclamation:  
Child Abuse Prevention Month  
CC: March 23, 2020

