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## JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



# Presented

RICK BAILEY Commissioner Pct. #1

KENNY HOWELL Commissioner Pct. #2

#### ROGER HARMON County Judge

PAULA REID Assistant to Commissioners Court MIKE WHITE Commissioner Pct. #3

LARRY WOOLLEY Commissioner Pct, #4

JOHNSON COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

PROCLAMATION

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

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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, Alvarado's American Legion Post 426, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 426, Squadron 426, Sons of the American Legion together with American Legion Family 50 of Cleburne will together with Chapter 1867 of The Military Order of the Purple Heart, have chosen to recognize the National Day of Recognition of the Purple Heart designated August 7, 2022 as a day to Remember, Recognize and Honor Purple Heart Recipients at the American Legion Post in Alvarado; and

WHEREAS, Johnson County has over 14,000 veterans many of whom are Purple Heart Recipients and the organizations herein named wish to pledge 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 PROCLAIMED THAT I, Roger Harmon, County Judge of Johnson County, and we the Commissioners of the four Precincts in Johnson County, Texas, that honor and gratitude be bestowed upon Purple Heart veterans, active-duty military and their families and ask that we join together in salute, Sunday, August 7, 2022 as:

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And further urge residents 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 25th day of July 2022.

Roger Harmon, Johnson County Judge

Rick Bailey, Commissioner Ict. #1

Mike White, Commissioner Pct. #3

Kenny Howell, Commissioner Pct. #2

Larry Woolley, Commissioner Pct. #4