

## JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



Christopher Boedeker County Judge Rick Bailey Commissioner Precinct 1 Kenny Howell Commissioner Precinct 2 Mike White Commissioner Precinct 3 Commissioner Precinct 4

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF JOHNSON

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PROCLAMATION

## ANTIQUE ALLEY TEXAS EVENT

- WHEREAS, Antique Alley began in September of 1999 between downtown Grandview and downtown Cleburne via E. FM 4. About 2004, other towns requested inclusion in the Antique Alley event. The name of the event was modified to "Antique Alley Texas" (AAT) to better reflect wide-spread participation; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Cleburne, Venus, Keene and (Ellis County neighbors Maypearl and Waxahachie) Chambers of Commerce and Downtown Merchants Associations, and the Cities of Alvarado and Grandview proclaim the impact of the event is wide ranging, directly affecting tourism and; commerce; and
- WHEREAS, The event brings more motor vehicle and pedestrian traffic to Grandview, Cleburne, Keene, Alvarado, Venus, and includes Maypearl and Waxahachie (Ellis County); and
- WHEREAS, The event is loosely organized by an all-volunteer association of small business owners, entrepreneurs, families, churches, and school organizations. The event occurs twice per year on the third Friday, Saturday, and Sunday every April and September; and
- WHEREAS, During the weekend event, visitors patronize ATM machines, hotels, motels, bed & breakfast venues, RV Parks and area State Parks, restaurants, service stations, grocery, retail and department stores, multiple neighborhood yard sales, and fundraisers; and
- WHEREAS, The traffic count is heavier on FM 4, FM 916, Hwy 67 and downtown areas of said cities during the event than any other time of the year including the spike in the number of yard sales that scatters higher than normal traffic throughout the entire county; and

- WHEREAS, The Johnson County Sheriff's Office Reserves and the Texas Department of Public Safety patrol the event causing drivers to slow down and practice safe driving; and
- WHEREAS, The Texas Department of Transportation reminds patrons there is NO parking on state highways as this is a safety issue. Motor vehicle operators are encouraged to adapt to conditions and lower driving speed; and
- WHEREAS, The goal of the Antique Alley Texas volunteers is to involve property owners, businesses, schools, churches, other non-profit organizations, law enforcement, tourism agencies, city and county governments in all aspects of the event and establish an atmosphere that supports tourism and community events.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Christopher Boedeker, County Judge of Johnson County, and we the Commissioners of the four Precincts in Johnson County, Texas, do hereby proclaim April 21-23, 2023 as:

## "ANTIQUE ALLEY TEXAS EVENT"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this, the 27th day of March, 2023.

Christopher Boedeker, Johnson County Judge

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Mike White, Commissioner Pct. 3

Kenny Howell, Commissioner Pct. 2

Larry Woolley, Commissioner Pct. 4

