

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§ 8	PROCLAMATION
COUNTY OF JOHNSON	§	

NATIONAL SERVICE DOG MONTH

- **WHEREAS**, We believe in the joyful, transformative power of the human-canine bond and inclusivity of all citizens; and
- WHEREAS, In the United States, 64 million adults and children have a disability and only 16,000 service dogs from accredited training programs exist nationwide and the need is growing; and
- **WHEREAS**, Canine Companions is a nonprofit organization that enhances the lives of people with disabilities by providing expertly-trained service dogs and ongoing support to ensure quality partnerships; and
- WHEREAS, Canine Companions and their service dogs empower people with disabilities to lead life with greater independence, by providing best-in-class training, ongoing follow up services, and a deeply committed community of support; and
- WHEREAS, National Service Dog Month aims to educate our community about the benefits of service dogs and the laws protecting them; and
- **WHEREAS,** Johnson County, Texas continues to work toward becoming an inclusive community in which all citizens, and their service dogs, are embraced.

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, in recognition of service dogs and the adults and children with disabilities in our community, do hereby proclaim September to be

"NATIONAL SERVICE DOG MONTH"

In Johnson County and I do hereby encourage all citizens to celebrate service dogs and be respectful of the rights afforded to the adults, children, and veterans who lead more independent lives because of their assistance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this, the 26th day of August, 2024.

Christopher Boedeker, Johnson County Judge

Rick Bailey, Commissioner Pct. 1

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Mike White, Commissioner Pct. 3

Larry Woolley, Commissioner Pct. 4

ATTEST: April Long, County Clerk

