



JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

4-28-25

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 § § **PROCLAMATION** COUNTY OF JOHNSON

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH AND CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, Addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of Johnson County; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Johnson County value their overall health and that of their families and fellow citizens and are proud to support observances such as Mental Health Awareness Month and Children's Mental Health Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, 29% of children have a diagnosable mental health condition; and

WHEREAS, nearly one in five school-age children have missed more than one day of school due to mental or emotional concerns; and

WHEREAS, 48% of parents experienced difficulty accessing needed mental health care in their community; and

WHEREAS, the need for comprehensive, coordinated mental health services for individuals and families placed upon our community is a critical responsibility; and

WHEREAS, there is a strong body of research that supports specific tools that all Americans can use to better handle challenges, and protect their overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, each citizen, local business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, and faith-based organization shares the burden of mental health concerns and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness, recovery, and support prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Cook Children's Center for Community Health, through their unique community partnerships and prevention-based approaches to serving children and adolescents, are effectively addressing the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in our community; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a month should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts toward mental health education and the support of treatment and recovery; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a day should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts toward our children's mental health and well-being.

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 May 2025 as

Mental Health Awareness Month

and May 8, 2025 as

Children's Mental Health Awareness Day

We encourage all citizens, parents, and providers to recognize the importance of making mental health care available to all who are in need.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of Johnson County, Texas to be affixed on this, the 28th day of April, 2025.

Christopher Boedeker, Johnson County Judge

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ATTEST: April Long, County Clerk