

THAT ON THIS, the 6th day of September, 2016, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas, met in duly called session at the Courthouse in Georgetown, with the following members present;

Dan A. Gattis, County Judge Lisa L. Birkman, Commissioner, Precinct One Cynthia Long, Commissioner, Precinct Two Valerie Covey, Commissioner, Precinct Three Ron Morrison, Commissioner, Precinct Four

And at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Texas has more natural disasters than any other state. This year alone, Texas has endured four major disasters and could equal or surpass the 1979 record, when five major disasters occurred in a single year; and,

Whereas, particularly disturbing is the tragic loss of life that so often is associated with disasters; and,

Whereas, destructive events such as hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, wildfire, pandemics, acts of terrorism and cyberattacks can occur with little if any warning; and,

Whereas, in each of these circumstances, preparedness is the key to being ready to face threats and reduce the loss of life and property; and,

Whereas, preparedness responsibilities are shared by all residents. Families can help minimize the impact of disasters and emergencies by preparing themselves, their family members and their communities for the unpredictable nature of these incidents; and,

Whereas, all Williamson County residents are encouraged to develop and practice emergency plans that include a communications strategy and emergency meeting locations; and,

Whereas, all Williamson County residents should build a three-day disaster preparedness kit for homes and vehicles which should contain supplies of food, water, medicine and important documents along with other essential items; and,

Whereas, special preparedness considerations and steps should be taken for young children, seniors, and those with access and functional needs, those with medical devices and family pets; and,

Whereas, at this time, we urge all Williamson County residents to remain mindful of the dangers presented by natural and man-made disasters. Potential threats may change rapidly, therefore, it is important to stay informed and follow instructions from local officials and emergency management personnel, for together we stand ready; and,

Therefore be it resolved, the Williamson County Commissioners Court declares the month of September, 2016, to be PREPAREDNESS MONTH in honor of those men and women who train and prepare daily for the safety and wellbeing of the residents of Williamson County, Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

RESOLVED THIS 6th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016.

Attest:		
Nancy E. Rister	Dan A. Gattis	
Williamson County Clerk	Williamson County Judge	