## State of Texas County of Williamson Know all men by these presents:

That on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017 the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas met in duly called session at the Williamson County Courthouse with the following members present:

Dan A. Gattis, County Judge Terry Cook, Commissioner Precinct One Cynthia P. Long, Commissioner Precinct Two Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct Three Larry Madsen, Commissioner Precinct Four

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Conservation Foundation (WCCF) was established in December 2002 to provide for conservation of endangered species in Williamson County while helping to promote responsible development; and

WHEREAS, the WCCF board is comprised of appointed volunteers that dedicate their time and efforts to the betterment of Williamson County; and

WHEREAS, Patty Eason began volunteering her efforts with conservation in 2002 and was officially appointed to the WCCF board in November 2004; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the WCCF Ms. Eason served on multiple subcommittees including the Citizen's Advisory Board, which was vital to the Regional Habitat Conservation Plan's (HCP) development; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eason played an integral role in the creation of Williamson County's HCP; she represented the City of Georgetown and Williamson County in numerous meetings with the US Fish & Wildlife Service in both their local and regional offices and lobbied for the HCP's creation in the nation's capital as the local delegation met with both house and senate leaders; and

WHEREAS, her efforts and desire to strike a balance between preservation and development led to the conservation of several endangered species habitats and the DB Wood Rd. bridge being constructed below Lake Georgetown; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eason's leadership was vital to the US Fish & Wildlife Services decision to grant the City of Georgetown its Special 4(d) rule for the preservation of the Georgetown salamander; she served as the liaison between the WCCF and the Georgetown City Council and made the important motion to proceed with Georgetown's salamander ordinance; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Commissioners Court recognizes and thanks Patty Eason for her 15 years of dedicated service and leadership to the Williamson County Conservation Foundation and the citizens of Williamson County, many of whom do not know her, but will forever benefit from her efforts.

Dan A. Gattis,	County Judge
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Pct. 3 WCCF President	Cynthia Long, Commissioner Pct. 2 WCCF Vice-President
	Nancy Rister, County C