



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Donate Life Month (NDLM) is observed each April; and

WHEREAS, while NDLM is a time to bring attention to organ donations, it also highlights the life-changing events with eye and tissue donations. It is time to spotlight not only those donors who give the gift of organs and tissue, but also to those recipients of such life-saving gifts; and

WHEREAS, The Donate Life Registry (www.donatelifetexas.org) is the only organ, eye, and tissue registry in the State of Texas, where just one person, who registers their intent to donate their organs, eyes, and tissue, might save up to 8 lives with organs and/or enhance far more lives of people with eyes & tissue; and

WHEREAS, as of March 30, 2021 on the Donate Life Registry, nationally, there are over 13M registered donors and almost 108,000 on the transplant list, of which over 10,000 are Texans; and

WHEREAS, using 2018 U.S. Census data, an astonishing 79% of Williamson County residents are registered donors; and

WHEREAS, almost every part of your body, from your heart, liver, lungs, pancreas, kidneys, and small intestine, to your corneas, your bones, skin, ligaments, and even veins, nerves, and heart valves can be donated and used to restore lives, improve conditions and return patients as active members of their families and communities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Commissioners Court proclaim April 2021 as National Donate Life Month in Williamson County and encourage its residents of all ages to register in donating for life and recovery.

Signed on this date: _____

Bill Gravell, County Judge

On behalf of the Williamson County Commissioners Court