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

THAT ON THIS, the 21st day of March 2023, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas, met in duly called session at the Courthouse in Georgetown, with the following members present;

Bill Gravell, Jr., County Judge Terry Cook, Commissioner, Precinct One Cynthia Long, Commissioner, Precinct Two Valerie Covey, Commissioner, Precinct Three Russ Boles, Commissioner, Precinct Four

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

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Williamson County, Texas was formed on March 13, 1848, out of Milam County and was named after Robert McAlpin Williamson and will be celebrating its demisemiseptcentennial in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County is one of the fastest-growing counties in the country and home to nearly 700,000 people according to the US Census, with more people moving to the area daily; and

**WHEREAS**, Williamson County has a rich history in its 175 years including being a prominent location on the Chisholm Trail cattle drive which took cattle to market in the late nineteenth century; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County was home to Jessie Daniel Ames, a suffragette who registered over 3,000 first-time women voters in just 17 days for the 1918 election; and

**WHEREAS,** Williamson County is known for the historic Dan Moody Trial from 1923 to 1924 when Dan Moody served as district attorney of the 26<sup>th</sup> Judicial District. During his term, Dan Moody became the first prosecuting attorney in the United States to win a legal battle against members of the Ku Klux Klan resulting in jail time. Dan Moody went on to become one of the youngest governors in Texas history; and

WHEREAS, Dr. James Lee Dickey, a civil rights advocate and doctor, had a profound impact on Williamson County and his hometown of Taylor by improving the local water supply and leading vaccine clinics that stopped a typhoid epidemic in 1932-1933; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County is home to several international companies including Dell, Apple, and the new Samsung semiconductor manufacturing facility which is the largest economic development project in US history with foreign investment; and

**WHEREAS**, Williamson County started celebrating its 175<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 10 and 11 with activities in downtown Georgetown and will continue to celebrate its history and future participating in special events, festivals, and parades throughout 2023 ending at the Williamson County Fair and Rodeo in October 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for Williamson County's 175<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration is *Still Making History*, acknowledging the county's rich history and promising future.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Williamson County Commissioners Court encourages residents to learn more about Williamson County's history and participate its 175<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

## **RESOLVED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2023**

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Bill Gravell, Jr.

Williamson County Judge