

**To recognize National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week
April 14-20, 2024**

WHEREAS, the National Animal Care & Control Association has designated the second week of April each year as National Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week; and

WHEREAS, Animal Control Officers dedicate their careers to protecting the welfare of helpless animals that have been rescued from injury, disease, abuse and starvation; and

WHEREAS, everyday Animal Control Officers provide the essential community functions of enforcing animal control laws, protecting the public from diseases such as rabies, educating the public on the proper care of our community's pets; seek justice in cases of abused, neglected and abandoned animals by conducting humane investigations and protect the welfare of helpless animals and pets from injury, disease and starvation; and

WHEREAS, various federal, state, and local government officials throughout the country take this time to recognize, thank and commend all Animal Control Officers for the dedicated services they provide to the citizens, public safety and public service agencies across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County recognizes and commends the Animal Control Officers for the many dedicated and long hours of service they perform in providing the highest and most efficient level of customer service to the citizens of our County, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, State of Texas, hereby proclaims April 14-20, 2024 as National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week in Williamson County, Texas and encourages all citizens, public safety and public service agencies to join us in expressing sincere thanks and appreciation for the many long hours of outstanding service and dedication our Animal Control Officers provide throughout the year to assure the safety and welfare of animals and people.

Dated this 16th day of April 2024

Judge Bill Gravell