



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

WHEREAS, while NDLM is a time to bring attention to organ donation, it also highlights the life-changing benefits of eye and tissue donation. It is a time to spotlight the donors who give the gift of life, recipients whose lives have been saved and enhanced, and those who died waiting to receive their gift; and

WHEREAS, The Donate Life Texas Registry (www.donatelifetexas.org) is the official registry for organ, eye, and tissue donation in the State of Texas. Just one person who registers their intent to donate their organs, corneas, and tissue might save up to 8 lives through organ donation and save or heal 75 or more through tissue and corneal (eye) donation; and

WHEREAS, as of April 10, 2024, there were 103,223 people on the National Transplant Waiting List and 10,206 of them are our fellow Texans; and

WHEREAS, Over 15 million Texans have registered as organ, eye, and tissue donors, on the Donate Life Texas Registry. Using 2020 U.S. Census data, an astonishing 92% of eligible Williamson County residents are registered donors; and

WHEREAS, almost every part of your body can be donated to save and heal. This includes the heart, lungs, liver, kidney, pancreas, and small intestine for organ donation. Tissue grafts including bone, skin, veins, ligaments and tendons, nerves, and heart valves (pediatric and adult), may also be donated, along with corneas;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims April 2024 as:

“NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH IN WILLIAMSON COUNTY”

And encourage its residents of all ages to register as organ, eye, and tissue donors.

Passed by Commissioners Court and Signed on this date: _____

Bill Gravell, County Judge

On behalf of the Williamson County Commissioners Court Members