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

That on this 10th day of September 2024, 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:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State of Texas historically leads the nation in the number of federally-declared disasters, be they natural hazards, technological, or human-caused;

WHEREAS, September is "National Preparedness Month" and it is important to recognize the need for preparedness and is an opportunity to inform and educate residents, businesses, schools and communities to be more prepared to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against all threats and hazards; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County residents are encouraged to prepare a three to six-day disaster kit which should contain food, water, medicine and important documents and create emergency plans that includes a plan with emergency meeting locations to help reduce fear and anxiety that may accompany disasters; and

WHEREAS, special preparedness considerations and steps should be taken for young children, seniors, family pets, and those with disabilities and medical devices; and

WHEREAS, it is important for residents to participate in preparedness activities and they are encouraged to review preparedness information at *Ready.gov*, and to sign up to receive emergency alerts via *WarnCentralTexas.org* to become knowledgeable and prepared; and

WHEREAS, Williamson County residents are urged to remain mindful of the dangers presented by natural and man-made disasters, the importance of staying informed and following instructions from local officials and emergency management personnel; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Williamson County Commissioners Court declares the month of September 2024 to be "National Preparedness Month" in honor of those men and women who train and prepare daily for the safety and wellbeing of the residents of Williamson County, Texas.

PROCLAIMED THIS 10TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.

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