

NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

WHEREAS crime affects individuals, families, and communities in profound and varied ways, often leaving lasting physical, emotional, and social challenges;

WHEREAS, every survivor deserves access to justice, compassionate care, and services that prioritize their dignity and healing;

WHEREAS, it is essential to raise awareness about the rights of crime victims, educate the public on available resources, and strengthen community efforts to support those affected by crime;

WHEREAS, advocacy organizations, law enforcement, and local governments play a crucial role in upholding crime victims' rights and ensuring they are empowered to navigate the justice system;

WHEREAS the concept of kinship underscores the connections that build bridges to support, bridges to services, and bridges to shared strength among and between survivors, advocates, and communities;

WHEREAS kinship is the foundation of victim advocacy, inspiring trauma-informed care that meets survivors where they are;

WHEREAS through kinship, we build peer networks and community alliances that empower survivors, foster resilience, and offer pathways to healing;

WHEREAS kinship reminds us of the strength that comes from connection, the importance of listening to every voice, and the power we have to create lasting change when we work together;

NOW, THEREFORE, the WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT does hereby proclaim the week of April 6-12, 2025 as

CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

And reaffirm our dedication in WILLIAMSON COUNTY to building connections, standing in kinship with survivors, and creating a future where healing and hope are within reach for everyone.

THIS THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2025

PRESIDING OFFICER

KINSHIP: CONNECTING & HEALING