STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

BE IT REMEMBERED that at 10 A.M. on TUESDAY, January 5, 2010, a REGULAR SESSION of the Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, was held with the following being present, to-wit:

Present: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

County Clerk Nancy E. Rister

Attendees:

Deputy County Clerk Connie Singleton Deputy County Clerk Shirley Merkord Deputy County Clerk Linda Jons

Agenda Item

Motion: To recognize Shirley Merkord, Susie Napier and Linda Jons for their service and dedication to the Williamson County Clerks office resulting in a 2009 Five-Star Local Registrar Vital Registration Award by the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit.

Background

The Williamson County Clerk Vitals group has been awarded a 2009 Five-Star Local Registrar Vital Registration Award by the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit. This team has also been recognized with Exemplary Designation for services above the normal Five-Star level.

2009 marks the twelfth consecutive year the Williamson County team has been awarded the Five-Star Local Registrar Vital Registration Award. This is the third time within that same period that this team has achieved the Exemplary designation. This extremely difficult designation was realized by Williamson County in 2003, 2008 and again in 2009.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit requires an average of no more that 30 days for all death registration entered in Texas Electronic Register (TER) software from the date of the event to the actual filing, and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit requires that all minimum security features are included in their security paper as detailed in TAC Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 181, Subchapter b, Rule 181.28, Security Features.

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit requires the use of TER software for all birth, death and marriage registrations registrations, and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit requires attendance to Annual Vital Statistics Conferences within 2008 and 2009, and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit requires the County provide documentation of recruiting physicians within the county district to sign up and use TER-Death Registration system, and

WHEREAS, The County Clerk's Office, Vital Statistics Coordinator; Shirley Merkord has achieved Master Registrar Certification by demonstrating in-depth knowledge of the statutes that guide registration practices, and by demonstrating mastery of the training curriculum, assignments and in the topics designated by the State Vital Statistics Office, and

WHEREAS, The County Clerk's Office, Vital Statistics team of Shirley Merkord, Susie Napier and Linda Jons met or exceeded all stated and implied requirements, resulting in a 2009 Five-Star Local Registrar Vital Registration Award by the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit at the Exemplary Level;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Williamson County Commissioner's Court do publicly congratulate, praise, and commend

Shirley Merkord Susie Napier Linda Jons

For their service and dedication to the Williamson County Clerks office resulting in a 2009 Five-Star Local Registrar Vital Registration Award by the Texas Department of State Health Services Vital Statistics Unit.

Dan A. Gattis, County Judge

Attest:

Nancy E. Ristel County Clerk