

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

That on the 2nd day of October, 2012 the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas met in duly called session at the Williamson County Courthouse, 710 Main Street, Georgetown, Texas and at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy and dignity, security and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse including abuse to children and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people, but cross all economic, racial and societal barriers, and are supported by societal indifferences; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide-ranging, directly affecting individuals and society as a whole, here in this community, throughout the United States and the world; and


WHEREAS, Hope Alliance staff and volunteers in our community are working to provide a continuum of care to domestic violence survivors through a 24-hour hotline, emergency shelter, counseling, support groups, advocacy, medical care and education; and

WHEREAS, The Domestic Violence Response Team of Williamson County, comprised of representatives from several agencies and organizations throughout the county, meets monthly to further develop a well-trained and resourceful response to domestic violence including thorough investigations and just prosecution; supportive and comprehensive assistance to victims and their families; and education of the community about domestic violence, with the ultimate goals of reducing the incidence of this senseless crime in our community and improving the effectiveness of advocacy and support for victims; and

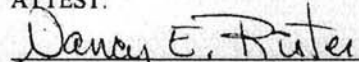
WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence themselves have been at the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equality to the home; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED; that the Williamson County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims the month of October as ***Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Williamson County*** and urges all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs to work toward improving victim safety and holding perpetrators of domestic abuse accountable for their actions against individual victims and our society as a whole.

PROCLAIMED THIS 2nd DAY OF OCTOBER 2012.


Dan A. Gattis, County Judge

ATTEST:


Nancy E. Rister, County Clerk

