

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

That on the 17th day of May, 2016 the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas met in duly called session at the Williamson County Courthouse, 710 Main Street, Georgetown, Texas, with the following members present:

Dan A. Gattis, County Judge
Lisa L. Birkman, Commissioner Precinct One
Cynthia P. Long, Commissioner Precinct Two
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct Three
Ron Morrison, Commissioner Precinct Four

And at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Donald Ray "Don" Hill, Sr. was born and reared in Taylor, Texas, graduated from O. L. Price High School then volunteered to serve his country with the United States Marine Corp. and received an honorable discharge as Sergeant, to return to Taylor to pursue his passion of giving back to his community, church and country; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill served his church as a lifelong member of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church in Taylor where he served as secretary for over 30 years, church steward for 37 years and Chairman of the Board of Trustees for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill was appointed to the City of Taylor's Planning Commission in the late 70's, serving until 1986 at which time he was first elected to the Taylor City Council, beginning his 30-year tenure as council member, with approximately half of this time serving as elected Mayor on the City Council, and even filling in as interim City Manager on two separate occasions; and

WHEREAS, one may wonder how Mr. Hill had time to make a living doing all his volunteer activities, but let it be known he has spent a very successful career working in public service to help those less fortunate, with most recently serving as Director of Field Operations of CARTS; and

WHEREAS, some of his favorite community projects were supervising safe operation of Robinson Pool for 22 years, organizing and managing a softball league in east Taylor, and bringing a Senior Citizen Program (Green Thumb) to Williamson County and organizing United Counties Federal Credit Union that later merged with University Federal Credit Union; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 one grand accomplishment and recognition of his dedication to community was being selected as Taylor's Citizen of the Year, only the second African American to receive this outstanding award and Mr. Hill has been married to his wife Leslie for 55 year and she has been by his side as soul mate, friend and confidant and she has also made her mark in Taylor and the county, being recognized as Taylor's Citizen of the Year in 2008; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Williamson County Commissioners Court would like to honor and extend its appreciation to Donald Ray Hill, Sr. for over 30 years of public service and leadership to his community and for stressing to others the importance of "Giving Back".

RESOLVED THIS 17TH DAY of May 2016.


Dan A. Gattis, County Judge


Ron Morrison, Commissioner Precinct Four