



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** air quality can threaten our environment, economy, and the health of the residents of Williamson County; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2019 ozone design value in the Austin-Round Rock-Georgetown MSA is 68 parts per billion (ppb), which is just 2 ppb below the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for ground level ozone of 70 ppb; and

**WHEREAS,** while air quality is improving in Central Texas, regional air pollution levels were considered "moderate" or worse on twenty-seven percent of days in 2019, according to the National Air Quality Index; and

**WHEREAS,** children, older adults, people with lung disease, and people with heart disease make up about two out of every five residents of Central Texas, and are particularly affected by poor air quality; and

**WHEREAS,** Williamson County supports public awareness about the quality of local and regional air quality and steps that members of our community can take to reduce their exposure to air pollution and to reduce the emissions that contribute to poor air quality in the region; and,

**WHEREAS,** Williamson County is a member of the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition of the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) and supports the Coalition's effort to promote regional air quality.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Williamson County Commissioners Court proclaims May 4 - 8, 2020 as

## Air Quality Awareness Week

in Williamson County and encourage our residents and employees to educate themselves about air quality, including visiting CAPCOG's Air Central Texas website at [AirCentralTexas.org](http://AirCentralTexas.org), and promote air quality and air quality awareness within our community.

Passed by Commissioners Court and Signed on this date: 5-5-2020

Bill Gravell, County Judge

On behalf of the Williamson County Commissioners Court Members