

WHEREAS, ALS is known by many as Loug Gherigs disease, is a progressive, fatal neurodegenerative disease that attacks nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord making even the simplest movements - walking, speaking and gesturing nearly impossible; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30,000 people in the United States are afflicted with ALS at any give time, with 5,000 new cases diagnosed each year; and

WHEREAS, persons diagnosed with ALS have an average life expectancy of 2 to 5 years with a person losing their battle with this disease every 90 minutes; and

WHEREAS, ALS strikes people not matter their race, sex, age or ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, finding the cause of, and cure for ALS will prevent the disease from robbing hundreds of thousands of Americans of their dignity and lives; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no know cause, treatment or cure for disease; and

WHEREAS, raising public awareness of this disease will facilitate the discovery for a cure, and will bring much needed dollars for support and services for families in Texas dealing with ALS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Commissioners Court recognize May 2023 as ALS Awareness Month.

Passed by Commissioners Court and Signed on this date: May 2, 2023

Bill Gravell Jr.

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Bill Gravell, County Judge

On behalf of the Williamson County Commissioners Court Members