

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

That on the 21st day of November 2023 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:

Bill Gravell, Jr., County Judge
Terry Cook, Commissioner Precinct One
Cynthia P. Long, Commissioner Precinct Two
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct Three
Russ Boles, Commissioner Precinct Four

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, many Williamson County residents and Wilco employees are impacted by prostate cancer, having family members, friends and colleagues diagnosed with or lost their lives to this disease; and

WHEREAS, Prostate cancer is the *2nd leading cause of death* in the United States for men, exceeded only by heart disease, with 1 in 8 American men being diagnosed with it during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, according to American Cancer Society estimates for 2023 there were 288,300 new cases of prostate cancer diagnosed and about 34,700 deaths of men in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, all men are at risk for prostate cancer, but it is more likely to develop in older men and in African-American men, with 6 cases in 10 being diagnosed in men who are 65 or older; and


WHEREAS, the warning signs for prostate cancer are important to recognize and include: Difficulty beginning urination; weak flow and/or frequent urination; pain or burning during urination, blood in urine; pain in the back, hips or pelvis that does not go away; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society and CDC recommend men should speak with their doctors about family history, being screened for prostate cancer and the Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) test; and

WHEREAS, most prostate cancers found by screening are small and slow growing and may not be fatal with a 5-year survival rate of nearly 100% if detected at stage 1 or 2 and decreasing to 32% survival rate if found at stage 3; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Commissioners Court recognizes the importance of Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, encourages all men to get annual check-ups and to speak with their doctors about the risk of prostate cancer.

RESOLVED THIS 21st Day of November 2023.


Bill Gravell (Nov 21, 2023 10:49 CST)

Bill Gravell, Jr., County Judge