

WHEREAS, there are 7 major wars, defined as 10,000 or more combat-related deaths in current or past year, currently happening; and

WHEREAS, there are 14 major conflicts, defined as 1,000 to 9,999 combat-related deaths in current and past year, currently going on; and

WHEREAS, there are 23 minor conflicts, defined as 100- 999 combat-related deaths in current and past year, currently occurring; and

WHEREAS, there are 12 skirmishes and clashes that have caused fewer than 100 direct, violent deaths in the current or past calendar year; and

WHEREAS, our country continues to have multiple mass shootings every month; and

WHEREAS, the world seems to be a really scary place right now; and

WHEREAS, this holiday season encompasses Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Bodhi Day, Feast Day of Our Lady Guadalupe, Boxing Day, New Year's Eve, and so many more celebrations that humans across our planet embrace with hope and joy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAMED, that the Williamson County Commissioners Court wishes everyone a delightful and safe holiday season; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAMED, that working towards peace, cooperation, and understanding begins with each of us, as we move into 2024.

Passed by Commissioners Court and Signed on this date: 13-14-2003

Bill Gravell, County Judge

On behalf of the Williamson County Commissioners Court Members