

County of Nueces



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County Judge
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COMMISSIONERS COURT PROCLAMATION Elder Abuse Prevention Month – May 2016

WHEREAS, people who are elderly or have disabilities have contributed to the general welfare of this country by helping to preserve customs, convictions, and traditions of many people from diverse backgrounds; and further, these residents are vital and integral members of our society and their wisdom and experiences have enriched our lives; and,

WHEREAS, abuse of the elderly and people with disabilities in domestic and institutional settings is a wide-spread problem, affecting hundreds of thousands of people across the country; and,

WHEREAS, in 2015, there were 110,277 reports of elderly and disabled persons being abused in Texas, of which 43,759 were confirmed; and,

WHEREAS, Elder abuse is grossly underreported because the elderly who are being abused find it very difficult to tell anyone and are usually ashamed and sometimes afraid; further, elder abuse happens to men and women of all income levels, all cultural and ethnic groups, whether they are in good health or incapacitated in some way, in poor neighborhoods and in suburbia; and,

WHEREAS, many of the cases investigated by Adult Protective Services in Texas involve self-neglect and it is our duty as citizens to reach out to people in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS, the month of May 2016, is hereby declared:

“Elder Abuse Prevention Month”

in Nueces County, and the Court further urges all citizens to work together to help reduce abuse and neglect of people who are elderly or have disabilities.

DULY ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY ON THE 11TH DAY OF MAY, 2016.

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ATTEST:

KARA SANDS, County Clerk