## **PROCLAMATION**

## SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

## **APRIL 2024**

**WHEREAS,** sexual assault, a violent and devastating crime affects men, women and children of all races, ages and economic situations, and

**WHEREAS,** the consequences of sexual assault are often severe and long lasting, and the risk of developing post-traumatic stress disorder, depression and many other psychological of physical ailments increases dramatically for victims of sexual assault, and

**WHEREAS,** each year Focusing Families and many other rape crisis centers across the State designate the month of April for an educational campaign to promote awareness and build upon the network of support that has been mobilized to address the issue of sexual assault, and

**WHEREAS**, Focusing Families provides training to rape crisis and law enforcement personnel, as well as to volunteers and staff of Focusing Families and to community groups. Outreach is also provided to schools and information on topical issues related to sexual assault.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that I Carbett "Trey" J Duhon III, County Judge, on behalf of Commissioners Court of Waller County, Texas do hereby declare April 2024 as

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And ask all residents of Waller County to increase their awareness and work to prevent sexual assault in their communities and across the great State. Together, united in this effort, we can continue to make a difference.

SIGNED this day 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2024, in Waller County, Texas, by:

	Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III County Judge	
John A. Amsler Commissioner Precinct 1		Walter E. Smith Commissioner Precinct 2
Kendric D. Jones Commissioner Precinct 3		Justin Beckendorff Commissioner Precinct 4