



State of Texas *
County of Comal *

Proclamation

Recognizing May 2017 as

Elder Abuse Prevention Month in Comal County

WHEREAS, people who are elderly or have disabilities have contributed to the general welfare of Comal County by helping to preserve the customs, convictions and traditions of many people from diverse backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, these residents are vital and integral members of our society, and their wisdom and experience 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, abuse affected more than 110,867 Texans who are elderly or have disabilities in 2016; 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; and

WHEREAS, 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 residents to reach out to people in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Comal County Commissioners Court, duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of Comal County, does hereby recognize May 2017 as Elder Abuse Prevention Month in Comal County, and urges all residents to work together to help reduce abuse and neglect of people who are elderly or have disabilities

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 4th day of May, 2017.


Sherman Krause, County Judge


Donna Eccleston, Commissioner Pct. 1


Scott Haag, Commissioner Pct. 2


Kevin Webb, Commissioner Pct. 3


Jen Crownover, Commissioner Pct. 4



Attest: 
Bobbie Koepp, County Clerk