

State of Texas \*  
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County of Comal \*

# Proclamation

## Recognizing September 10 - 14, 2018 as Suicide Prevention Week in Comal County

WHEREAS, suicide is a major public health issue requiring vigilant attention and preventive action; and

WHEREAS, each death by suicide directly impacts numerous family members, friends, loved ones and by extension the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Hill Country Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Centers are committed to raising awareness, providing education and training on suicide prevention; and

WHEREAS, Comal County is committed to ensuring that those in need have access to services by health care providers trained in best practices to reduce suicide risk, and to reducing the stigma associated with using behavioral health treatment or losing a loved one to suicide; and

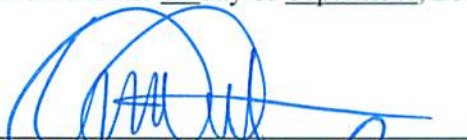
WHEREAS, since January 1, 2018, more than 700 people in Comal County have been screened by the Mobile Crisis Outreach Team, or MCOT, for suicidal ideation; and

WHEREAS, no single suicide prevention effort will be sufficient or appropriate for all populations or communities, and all are asked to join together and take a stand to help those contemplating suicide; and

WHEREAS, September 10-14 is recognized across the United States as Suicide Prevention Week, providing the opportunity for people to educate themselves about warning signs and how best to help those 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 September 10-14, 2018, as Suicide Prevention Week in Comal County.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

  
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:   
By:   
Bobbie Koeps, County Clerk

