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NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners of Council County, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2014 as "World History Day" and call upon all residents of Council County to mark the day by a showing of support.

State of Texas *

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County of Comal *

Proclamation

Recognizing October 6, 2018 as World Ostomy Day

WHEREAS, an ostomy is a type of surgery that creates an opening (stoma) in the abdomen that allows for the removal of bodily waste when a person has lost the normal function of digestive or urinary systems due to birth defects, colorectal cancer, bladder cancer, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, and other medical conditions. They are also necessary in cases of severe abdominal or pelvic trauma resulting from accidents or from injuries sustained during military service; and

WHEREAS, approximately 725,000 to 1 million Americans have an ostomy, with approximately 100,000 new ostomy procedures performed each year; and

WHEREAS, ostomy or continent diversion surgery can occur at any age and does not lower life expectancy and through the efforts of United Ostomy Associations of America, Inc. (UOAA), Americans needing these surgeries are becoming more aware of the opportunities for advocacy and support for them and their families; and

WHEREAS, UOAA celebrates Ostomy Awareness Day annually on the first Saturday of October and in partnership with the International Ostomy Association, World Ostomy Day is celebrated every three years with the aim to improve the rehabilitation of ostomates worldwide by bringing to the attention of the general public the needs and aspirations of ostomates; and

WHEREAS, Comal County is committed to increasing public understanding of "ostomy" to eventually help dispel the fear of those about to undergo this surgery, as well as the fear that confronts their families, reminding Americans that this is a life-saving and life-restoring surgery and recognizes that public education and awareness is vital to ensure those who are living with an ostomy face no discrimination and are accepted as normal, healthy individuals, and through education and awareness we can erase the myths, stigma and embarrassment that are sometimes associated with having an ostomy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED the Commissioners Court of Comal County, Texas do hereby proclaim October 6, 2018 as "World Ostomy Day", and call upon all residents of Comal County to unite on this day in a showing of support.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 4th day of October, 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:


Bobbie Koeppe, County Clerk

