

State of Texas \*  
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County of Comal \*

# Proclamation

## Recognizing June 2024 as Elder Abuse Awareness Month in Comal County

**WHEREAS**, older adults and people with disabilities of diverse backgrounds contribute to the wellbeing of this county by working, caregiving, volunteering and actively preserving customs, rituals, and traditions; and

**WHEREAS**, as we age, we build momentum by accumulating knowledge, experience, insight, and wisdom that can be shared to enrich our community; and

**WHEREAS**, abuse of older adults and people with disabilities is a community concern, affecting thousands of people across Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, abuse affected more than 120,069 older adults and people with disabilities in Texas in 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, abuse against older adults and people with disabilities is grossly underreported because of social stigma, embarrassment, and fear; and

**WHEREAS**, adult abuse effects men and women of all income and ability levels, all cultural and ethnic backgrounds, in all communities; and

**WHEREAS**, because elder abuse is everyone's business, it's important to strengthen our efforts to prevent, report and address elder abuse.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** by Commissioners Court of Comal County, that June 2024 is hereby recognized as Elder Abuse Awareness Month and all residents are encouraged to work together to help reduce abuse and neglect of people who are elderly or have disabilities.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

  
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