



# PROCLAMATION



**WHEREAS,** In 1997, The North East Texas Choral Society began as an idea birthed from a need for backup singers to a piece of a musical performance conducted on the square in Sulphur Springs; and

**WHEREAS,** In May of 1998, the first call for auditions for The North East Texas Choral Society resulted in 110 individuals from all walks of life responding with one common desire; and

**WHEREAS,** On Tuesday, June 9, 1998, 102 voices were drawn together in the spirit of song, its music and its lyrics to hold the first rehearsal of The North East Texas Choral Society at the First Methodist Church in Sulphur Springs; and

**WHEREAS,** The first North East Texas Choral Society was established; and

**WHEREAS,** On July 15, 1998, the choral group performed its first song, *Texas Our Texas* during a reception for Texas Governor George W. Bush; and

**WHEREAS,** The North East Texas Choral Society (NETCS) is celebrating twenty-five years of presenting choral music performances to our community and the surrounding area; and

**WHEREAS,** The founding director, Carol Ruth Allen continues to serve as the director of NETCS; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the said Hopkins County Judge, Robert Newsom, hereby proclaims the week of November 28, 2022 as

## North East Texas Choral Society Week

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Texas, in Sulphur Springs, the County Seat this Twenty-Eighth Day of November in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



*Robert Newsom*  
Robert Newsom, Hopkins County Judge