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Elder Abuse Awareness Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, older adults and people with disabilities of diverse backgrounds contribute to the well-being of this city 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, there were 120,069 reports of abuse of 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 affects men and women of all income and ability levels, all cultural and ethnic backgrounds, in all communities; and

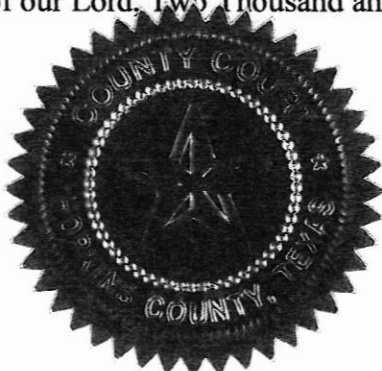
WHEREAS, elder abuse is everyone's business, it's important to strengthen our efforts to prevent, report and address elder abuse.

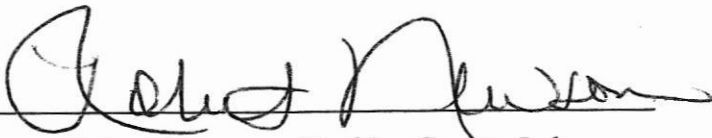
NOW, THEREFORE, I Robert Newsom, County Judge, in recognition thereof, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2024 to be

"Elder Abuse Awareness Month"

In Hopkins County, Texas and urge all residents to work together to reduce abuse and neglect of older adults and people with disabilities.

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-Ninth Day of May in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.




Robert Newsom, Hopkins County Judge