

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our society has become increasingly dependent on household chemicals to perform labor-saving, time-saving miracles; and on medicine to provide health-giving, life-sustaining benefits; and

WHEREAS, these products, when not used as intended or directed, may be hazardous, particularly if children gain access to them; and

WHEREAS, over the past 55 years, the nation has been observing Poison Prevention Week to call attention to these hazards and how proper handling and disposal of these substances and proper use of safety packaging can help eliminate them; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of our community organizations, complemented by the efforts of the North Texas Poison Center have reduced childhood poisonings in Panola County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the North Texas Poison Center, a regional poison center, located at Parkland Health and Hospital System, provides the ultimate in human service programming, immediate, accessible emergency information to save lives of victims of poison-related emergencies; and

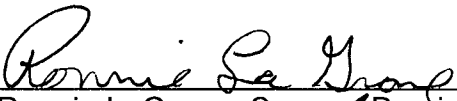
WHEREAS, these programs must continue as long as even one child swallows a household product or medicine by mistake.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas does hereby proclaim the week of March 19-25, 2017 to be

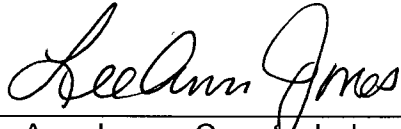
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in Panola County, and urges all appropriate agencies in our local government to continue their cooperation with concerned citizens and community organizations, including our schools, to develop programs which will alert our people to the continued danger of misusing medicines and household products and to promote effective safeguards against accidental poisonings among young children.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2017.



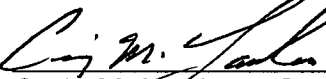
Ronnie LaGrone, Comm., Precinct 1



Lee Ann Jones, County Judge



John Gradberg, Comm., Precinct 2

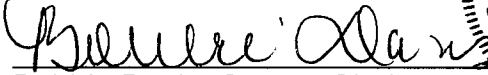


Craig M. Lawless, Comm., Precinct 3

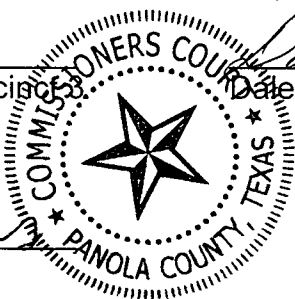


Dale LaGrone, Comm., Precinct 4

ATTEST:



Bobbie Davis, County Clerk



NORTH TEXAS POISON CENTER



February 2, 2017

Judge LeeAnn Jones
County Courthouse, 110 South Sycamore, Room 216A
Panola

Dear Judge LeeAnn Jones:

March 19-25, 2017 marks the 55th annual observance of Poison Prevention Week. This time is used to encourage our citizens to learn more about the dangers of accidental poisonings and to take more preventive measures.

On behalf of the North Texas Poison Center I am requesting that March 19-25, 2017 be proclaimed as "Poison Prevention Week" in Panola County. Enclosed is a suggested proclamation.

Please have the proclamation sent to the following address:

Cristina Thomas
North Texas Poison Center
5201 Harry Hines Blvd.
Dallas, TX 75235

If you have any questions, please call me at 214-590-9016.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cristina Thomas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cristina Thomas
Public Health Educator