## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

WHEREAS, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation; and

WHEREAS, prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, with early and effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, Community Healthcore is the local mental health authority assisting residents in nine East Texas counties including Panola County; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Healthcore provides a 24 hour / 7 days a week crisis hotline, outpatient mental health services, skills training, and support services for children and adults; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Healthcore serviced 546 Panola County residents in fiscal year 2023; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas does hereby proclaim the month of May, 2024 as

## "MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH"

in Panola County, and encourage the support and participation of all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in Panola County to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health.

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Dated this 21st day of May, 2024.

Rodger G. McLane, County Judge

Billy Alexander

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Craig M. Lawless

Commissioner, Precinct 3

ATTEST:

Bobbie Davis, County Clerk

David A. Cole

Commissioner, Precinct 2

Dale LaGrone

Commissioner, Precinct 4