

PROCLAMATION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH - OCTOBER 2025

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates the basic human rights of safety and dignity, and in 2023, 205 Texans were killed due to domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence and teen dating violence are not confined to any group of people, but cut across all economic, racial, gender and societal barriers; and

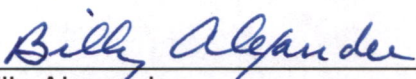
WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence and teen dating violence directly affects individuals and communities when society ignores or tolerates violence in relationships; and

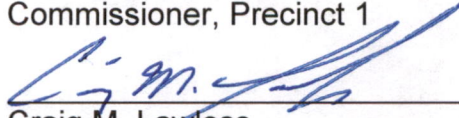
WHEREAS, last year the Women's Center of East Texas provided face-to-face services to over 1,092 adults and 201 children who experienced domestic violence and provided 6,171 days of shelter; and

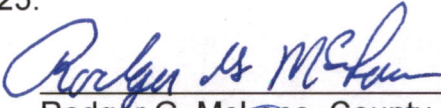
WHEREAS, last year the Women's Center of East Texas provided these direct services to over 16 victims from Panola County; and

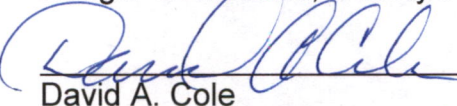
NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas does hereby proclaim the month of October, 2025 as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Panola County, Texas, and urge the public to actively work together with the Women's Center of East Texas and local partners to bring an end to domestic violence and teen dating violence.

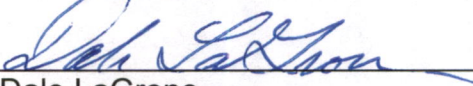
Dated this 23rd day of September, 2025.


Billy Alexander
Commissioner, Precinct 1

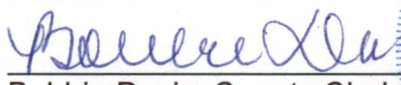

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