



**PROCLAMATION  
RECOGNIZING MAY 4 - 8, 2026  
AS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK**

- WHEREAS:** More than 100,000 economic development and related professionals worldwide are committed to creating, retaining, and expanding top-tier opportunities that foster long-term, equitable community growth; and
- WHEREAS:** For generations, the economic development profession has cultivated thriving neighborhoods, championed sustainability and resiliency, strengthened economic prosperity, enhanced quality of life, and built robust tax bases; and
- WHEREAS:** Economic development professionals operate across diverse environments, including rural, suburban, and urban communities; local, state, and national governments; public-private partnerships; chambers of commerce; institutions of higher education; and similar organizations and associations; and
- WHEREAS:** Economic development professionals serve as stewards of progress, connecting residents, business leaders, elected officials, industry executives, and educational institutions to advance job creation, community investment, infrastructure improvements, and long-term opportunity; and
- WHEREAS:** The continued success of Caldwell County, Texas is strengthened through collaboration among its communities, including **Lockhart, Luling, Uhland, and Mustang Ridge**, working in partnership through the Hays Caldwell Economic Development Partnership to advance regional growth and shared prosperity; and
- WHEREAS:** Economic developers contribute to the continued strength and vitality of Caldwell County within the State of Texas, building on past achievements while shaping a resilient and prosperous future; and
- WHEREAS:** Since 1926, the International Economic Development Council and its preceding organizations have advanced the profession globally, marking 100 years of leadership dedicated to fostering growth, innovation, inclusion, sustainability, and resilience in communities of all sizes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF CALDWELL COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT** May 4-8, 2026, is hereby recognized as:

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK**

Celebrating 100 years of impact – reflecting on the progress achieved, honoring the professionals who strengthen our communities today, and inspiring the next century of economic opportunity and growth.

**PROCLAIMED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2026.

Hoppy Haden  
Caldwell County Judge

B.J. Westmoreland  
Commissioner, Precinct 1

Ed Theriot  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Rusty Horne  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Dyral Thomas  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Teresa Rodriguez, Caldwell County Clerk

*By Dolores Garcia  
Deputy*

