



## PROCLAMATION DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH 2024

- WHEREAS:** The crime of domestic violence violates the basic human rights of safety and dignity, and 216 Texans were killed in an intimate partner homicide including 179 women and 37 men; and
- WHEREAS:** The problem of domestic violence is not confined to any group of people, but cut across all economic, racial, gender and societal barriers; and
- WHEREAS:** Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, financial, psychological, or technological and can include actions or threats of actions, or other patterns of coercive behavior that influence another person within an intimate partner relationship; 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 HCWC provided face-to-face services to over 1,044 local victims of domestic violence and provided 7,438 days of shelter; and
- WHEREAS:** Last year HCWC provided these direct services to 179 victims from Caldwell County.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT** THAT, it does hereby recognize October 2024 as *Domestic Violence Awareness Month* and call upon the people of Caldwell County to work together with HCWC and local partners to bring an end to domestic violence and teen dating violence.

**PROCLAIMED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

Hoppy Haden  
Caldwell County Judge

B.J. Westmoreland  
Commissioner, Precinct 1

Ed Theriot  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Rusty Horne  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Dyrall Thomas  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Teresa Rodriguez, Caldwell County Clerk

