

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 6.3 million Texans have experienced some form of sexual assault in their lifetime and

WHEREAS, 2 in 5 women and 1 in 5 men in Texas have been sexually assaulted in their lifetime affecting all races, ages, genders and economic situations; and

WHEREAS, the Hays-Caldwell Women's Center provided direct services to **660** adult victims of sexual assault in Hays and Caldwell Counties last year; and

WHEREAS, the Caldwell County is intolerant of sexual violence in any form and recognizes that education and awareness may prevent sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, efforts to reduce sexual assault can only be successful through citizen involvement, and the safety of the citizens of the Caldwell County depends upon our actions to end sexual assault;

THEREFORE, I, Hoppy Haden, by virtue of the authority vested in me as County Judge of Caldwell County, Texas, do herby proclaim April, 2023, as

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of Caldwell County, Texas, this 28th day of March, 2023.

Hoppy Haden Caldwell County Judge

B.J. Westmoreland

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Rusty Horne

Commissioner, Precinct 2

Ed Theriot

Commissioner, Precinct 3

Dyral Thomas

Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Teresa Rodriguez

Caldwell County Clerk