



**PROCLAMATION
RECOGNIZING JUNE 2025
AS ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS: Older adults and people with disabilities of diverse backgrounds contribute to the wellbeing of this county by working, caregiving, volunteering and actively preserving customs, rituals, and traditions; and

WHEREAS: As we age, we build momentum by accumulating knowledge, experience, insight, and wisdom that can be shared to enrich our community; and

WHEREAS: Abuse of older adults and people with disabilities is a community concern, affecting thousands of people across Texas; and

WHEREAS: There were 123,852 reports of abuse older adults and people with disabilities in Texas in 2024; and

WHEREAS: Abuse against older adults and people with disabilities is grossly underreported because of social stigma, embarrassment, and fear; and

WHEREAS: Adult abuse effects men and women of all income and ability levels, all cultural and ethnic backgrounds, in all communities; and

WHEREAS: Elder abuse is everyone's business, it's important to strengthen our efforts to prevent, report and address elder abuse.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT the month of June 2025 is recognized as:

ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

In Caldwell County, Texas and urge all residents to work together to reduce abuse and neglect of older adults and people with disabilities.

PROCLAIMED this the 27th day of May, 2025.

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, County Clerk

