

State of Texas *
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County of Comal *

Proclamation

NAMING THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2014 AS "WORLD BREASTFEEDING MONTH" IN COMAL COUNTY

WHEREAS, breast milk is widely acknowledged to be the most complete form of nutrition for infants; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding is recommended by American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, American College of Nurse-Midwives, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, American Public Health Association, World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding has many benefits for babies such as protecting against obesity and diabetes, promoting healthy immune function, protecting against gastrointestinal complications and ear infections, enhancing cognitive development, reducing risk of developing allergies and asthma, reducing risk of leukemia; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding has many benefits for mothers such as promoting weight loss, reducing postpartum bleeding, reducing risk of breast and ovarian cancers, reducing absenteeism at work, and producing hormones that can lower stress levels; and

WHEREAS, the Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) in New Braunfels serves a combined 601 breastfeeding women and infants by providing breast pumps, breastfeeding aids/devices, breastfeeding education, support, and consultation services, and achieved a 79% Born-to-WIC breastfeeding rate in June.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Comal County Commissioners Court duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of Comal County does hereby proclaim August 2014 as "World Breastfeeding Month" and urges its citizens to promote and encourage breastfeeding.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 31st day of July, 2014.


Sherman Krause, County Judge


Donna Eccleston, Commissioner Pct 1


Scott Haag, Commissioner Pct 2


Kevin Webb, Commissioner Pct 3


Jan Kennedy, Commissioner Pct 4

Attest: 
Joy Streater, County Clerk