



State of Texas \*  
County of Comal \*

# Proclamation

NAMING FEBRUARY 2016 AS  
"TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH"  
IN COMAL COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, All young people deserve to be treated with respect; and,

**WHEREAS**, Respectful, supportive and non-violent relationships are key to safety, health and academic success; and

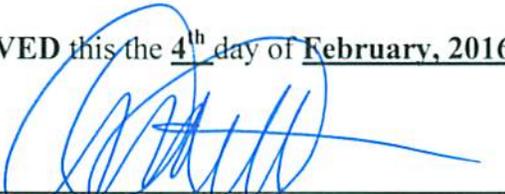
**WHEREAS**, Teen dating abuse is a significant health issue with 10-20 percent of youth reporting physical or sexual violence from a dating partner; and

**WHEREAS**, Victimization increases teens' risk for injury, substance abuse, eating disorders, unwanted pregnancy and suicide, and young people exposed to violence are at greater risk for becoming victims and perpetrators in adult relationships; and,

**WHEREAS**, Parents, teachers, coaches, healthcare providers, clergy, artists, musicians and other important people in teens' lives have the power to influence youth in positive ways.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Comal County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim February 2016 as "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month" in Comal County, and urge citizens to join the Crisis Center of Comal County in promoting healthy teen relationships, calling upon youth and adults to observe "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month" with activities and conversations about respectful and non-violent relationships in their homes, schools and communities.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

  
Sherman Krause, County Judge

  
Donna Eccleston, Commissioner Pct 1

  
Scott Haag, Commissioner Pct 2

  
Kevin Webb, Commissioner Pct 3

  
Jen Crownover, Commissioner Pct 4

Attest:   
Bobbie Koepf, County Clerk

