#### **PROCLAMATION**

## PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH SEPTEMBER 2022

WHEREAS, prostate cancer constitutes 20% of all male cancer diagnoses and 10% of all male cancer deaths; and

WHEREAS, in Texas, an estimated 17,850 new cases of prostate cancer and an estimated 2,260 deaths will occur in 2022; and

WHEREAS, men of African ancestry, men with a family history of prostate cancer, firefighters, and men exposed to Agent Orange are at highest risk; and

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the second most commonly diagnosed cancer in American men only behind skin cancer and the second leading cause of cancer death in men behind lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, this year approximately 268,490 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States – that's one man every 1.9 minutes – and roughly 34,500 will die this year from the disease – which is one man every 15.2 minutes; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 8 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime. Men of African ancestry are at the highest risk for the disease with a rate of 1 in 6 men. They are also 2.1 times more likely to die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, prostate cancer not only affects men but also affects their family and friends; and

WHEREAS, education regarding prostate cancer and early detection strategies are critical to saving lives, preserving, and protecting our families; and

WHEREAS, all men are at risk for prostate cancer, the citizens of Montague County are encouraged to increase their personal awareness of prostate cancer and of the importance of prostate cancer screenings.

THEREFORE, we, the Commissioners of Montague County, Texas, do hereby proclaim September 2022 as **PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH – IN MONTAGUE COUNTY** 

Signed on this the 8th day of August, 2022

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Roy/Darden, Commissioner, Pct. #1

Mark Murphey, Commissioner, Pct. #3

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### **North Texas Prostate Cancer Coalition**

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June 1, 2022

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**Request for Proclamation** 

The Honorable Kevin Benton County Judge of Montague County

Dear Judge Benton,

On behalf of the entire Board of the North Texas Prostate Cancer Coalition, we ask you to consider proclaiming September 2022 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month for Montague County.

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Prostate cancer is tenibly misunderstood compared to other cancers; men don't talk about it and do not engage because of the personal nature of the problem. Relative to other cancers, prostate cancer numbers are trending in the wrong direction; a man dies every 15 minutes from this dreaded disease. Prostate cancer numbers mirror breast cancer, yet the awareness is opposite. As with many diseases, prostate cancer disproportionally impacts minorities. Reducing and eliminating health disparities is fundamental to building a healthier Texas.

<u>October</u> is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Let's make <u>September</u> Prostate Cancer Awareness Month! Looking at the Central North Texas County map (above), we need to fill some holes!

The mission of the North Texas Prostate Cancer Coalition is to inform the Texas community by providing coordinated educational support about prostate cancer for all men and their families, and to be a collective voice in elevating prostate cancer to major health priority status in the State of Texas through increased awareness and advocacy. The North Texas Prostate Cancer Coalition is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization. Attached is a sample proclamation.

Sincerely

### Wolfram Blattner

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