

## PROCLAMATION

*Whereas, children* gain a stronger relationship with the adult, reading will become a nurturing activity that will bring the two closer together; and

*Whereas*, one of the primary benefits of reading to children is a higher aptitude for learning in general; and

*Whereas*, children learn critical language and enunciation skills by listening to someone read; and

*Whereas*, children learn better communication skills and are much more likely to express themselves and relate to others in a healthy way; and

*Whereas*, children learn the mastery of language and gain a better grasp of the fundamentals of language; and

*Whereas*, children gain more logical thinking skills, and enhance their ability to grasp abstract concepts, apply logic in various scenarios, recognize cause and effect, and utilize good judgment; and

*Whereas*, children are able to adapt to new experiences of potentially stressful experience, sharing a relevant story is a great way to help ease the transition; and

*Whereas*, children gain enhanced concentration and discipline, therefore with reading comprehension comes a stronger self-discipline, longer attention span, and better memory retention, all of which will serve children well when they enter school; and

*Whereas*, by reading, children learn that reading is fun and are much more likely to choose books over video games, television, and other forms of entertainment as they grow older.

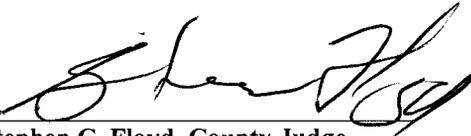
**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Commissioners Court of Tom Green County, Texas do hereby proclaim the months of April, May, June, and July 2015 as months to discover:

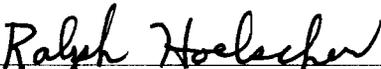
**"Unlimited possibilities @ your library®."**

And encourage all residents to visit the library to take advantage of the wonderful library resources available at the Tom Green County Library. As parent, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends; reading to children is one of the most important things we can do to prepare them with a foundation for academic excellence and socialization.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the County to be affixed,

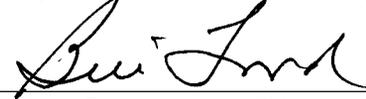
March 17, 2015

  
Stephen C. Floyd, County Judge

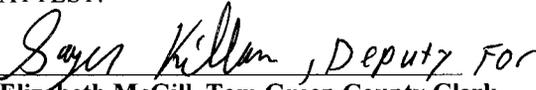
  
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Rick Bacon, Commissioner Pct. 3

  
Bill Ford, Commissioner Pct. 4

ATTEST:

  
Sayer Killam, Deputy For  
Elizabeth McGill, Tom Green County Clerk  
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