

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Autism is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting the social, communication and behavioral skills of those affected by it, and,

WHEREAS, as more health professionals become proficient in diagnosing Autism, more children are being diagnosed on the autism spectrum, resulting in rates as high as 1 in 68 children in the United States making it the fastest growing serious, developmental disability,

WHEREAS, while there is no cure for autism, it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive early and intensive treatment throughout their lives, they lead significantly improved lives, and,

WHEREAS, individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized and community support services to ensure their health and safety and to support families' resilience as they manage the psychological and financial burdens autism can present,

WHEREAS, MHMR Services for the Concho Valley is spearheading an awareness effort in order to educate parents, professionals and the general public about autism and its effects,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, we the Tom Green County Commissioners' Court do hereby proclaim April 2019 as AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH and urge all residents of Tom Green County to participate in Autism Awareness Month activities, in order to become better educated about autism and create a better community for individuals with autism.

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