



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the National Community Action Partnership is a national, 501(c)3 nonprofit membership organization that provides technical assistance, training, and acts as an informational clearinghouse to Community Action Agencies, and nonprofit and public groups, by providing best practices and proven strategies that strengthen low-income, disabled and senior persons making sure they participate in all programs for which they are eligible; and

**WHEREAS**, Opportunities for Williamson and Burnet Counties (OWBC) is this area's official Community Action agency having implemented myriad community services including early childhood education, assistance with utilities and food, family advocacy, and nutrition to those who need it.

**WHEREAS**, for 60 years, OWBC's Community Action program has made essential contributions across Burnet and Williamson Counties, inspiring a spirit of hope by creating opportunities for millions of low income and disabled people, as well as seniors, to be a part of the American Dream by lifting them out of poverty, and thereby stabilizing these individuals, thus improving their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action's uplifting work can be seen in 99% of all American counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action builds and promotes economic stability as an essential aspect of supporting clients, thus enhancing communities and stabilizing homes, by providing financial assistance for households who need help covering their energy bills or through their programs that assist families trying to escape poverty through self-sufficiency programs of education, job-search assistance and case management focused on transitioning community members out of poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action strategies and innovative solutions evolve as the needs of individuals, families, and communities in cities, suburbs, and rural areas change; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action is experienced in advancing opportunities by coordinating federal, state, local, and private resources to achieve effective results for people and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action is being recognized for 60 years of innovation, positive impact, and proven results for Americans.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Williamson County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim September 2024 Community Action Month in recognition of the 60 years of dedication and outstanding results achieved by our own Opportunities for Williamson & Burnet Counties.

Passed by Commissioners Court and Signed on this date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Bill Gravell, County Judge

On behalf of the Williamson County Commissioners Court Members