## Resolution

**ORDER NO:** 

2019-0731

DATE: August 6, 2019

STATE OF TEXAS

**COUNTY OF DALLAS** 



BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 6th day of August, 2019 on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District #1, and seconded by John Wiley Price, Commissioner of District 3, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS,

The month of August is National Immunization Awareness Month, an annual observance to promote the benefits of immunizations and to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages; and

WHEREAS,

Immunization is the process whereby a person is made resistant to an infectious disease, typically by the administration of a vaccine. Vaccines stimulate the body's own immune system to protect the person against subsequent disease; and

WHEREAS,

Immunization is a proven tool for controlling and eliminating life-threatening infectious diseases and is estimated to avert between 2 and 3 million deaths each year. It is one of the most cost-effective health investments, with proven strategies that make it accessible to even the most hard-to-reach and vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS,

The goals of the Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Unit are to eliminate the spread of vaccine preventable diseases by increasing vaccine coverage for Texans, raise awareness of the diseases that vaccines prevent, and educate the public about vaccine safety; and

WHEREAS.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that through immunization, we can now protect infants and children from 17 vaccine preventable diseases, up from 14 diseases, before they reach the age of two. Vaccines have drastically reduced infant death and disability caused by preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS,

The Preventive Health Division at Dallas County Health and Human Services is committed to ensuring quality assurance to all by servicing any child below the age of 18 at any of their six Immunization Clinics located throughout the county; and

WHEREAS.

This September seven Immunization Clinics will be providing immunization for adults for the first time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Commissioner Court join in the designation of August 2019 as National Immunization Awareness Month and urges all citizens of Dallas County to recognize the importance of immunizations by obtaining the necessary vaccines for themselves and their families.

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED that the Dallas County Commissioners Court recognizes the Preventative Health Division at Dallas County Health and Human Resources for their efforts toward prevention education and extraordinary care to the children of Dallas County.

**DONE IN OPEN COURT**, this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

Clay Lewis Jenkins

County Judge

Dr. Theresa Daniel

Commissioner, District 1

Dr. Elba Garcia

John Wiley Price

Commissioner District 3

Commissioner, District 4

Commissioner, District 2