

Resolution



ORDER NO. 2023-1106

DATE: October 3, 2023

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 3rd day of October 2023, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4, the following Resolution was adopted:

National 4-H Week "Celebrating Opportunity 4 All"

WHEREAS, The Dallas County Commissioners Court is proud to honor the 4-H Youth Development Program of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service for 116 years of youth development. This year's National 4-H Week theme, "I love 4-H," reminds us of the millions of people and the multiple generations who have advanced and succeeded because of the opportunity to participate in the largest youth organization in the nation. 4-H recognizes that every child has valuable strengths that they can use to improve the world around them. So, this year we celebrate the sense of responsibility, awareness, and equity for ALL members of the community. 4-H, "Head, Heart, Hands, and Health," aspires to help Dallas youth acquire the knowledge, life skills, and attitudes that will propel them to become self-directed, productive, and contributing members of our society; and


WHEREAS, This admirable program seeks to provide a positive learning experience to more than five thousand youth of all backgrounds across the four districts in Dallas County over the next two years. Dallas County 4-H connects with youth by establishing community and school clubs, special interest groups and camps. The Teens as Teachers workforce program, the Dallas Leadership -group, and the CLOVER online educational platform are new opportunities for youth to work on their civic engagement skills and to work on bridging the disparity gaps that exist in their communities; and


WHEREAS, In Dallas County, 4-H programs are delivered by AgriLife Extension and Prairie View Cooperative Extension. Dallas County 4-H programs have provided life-changing experiences to hundreds of young people, and with the support of caring adult volunteers, students have taken on critical societal issues. Students engage in civil discourse, and, advocate for diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility for all. Though 4-H has its origin in strong agricultural roots, it has now evolved to multiple disciplinary areas such as robotics, photography, entomology, urban agriculture, shooting sports, educational communication, consumer decision making, food preparation, bee keeping, forestry, financial literacy, and much more; and

WHEREAS, We commend 4-H participants and alumni across the County and Lone Star State. 4-H educators and volunteers work tirelessly to deliver impactful programs to thousands of young people each year. This August 2023, Dallas County 4-H students, families, and staff gathered at the Road and Bridge 1 District Office to celebrate all the youth efforts at their 4-H Awards Ceremony. Congratulations to all the students for their hard work!

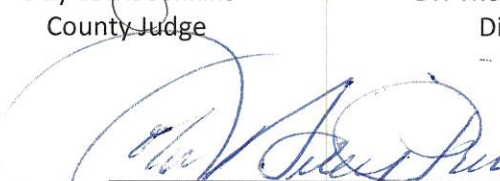
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby designate October 1-7, 2023, as National 4-H Week in Dallas County, Texas and commends the 4-H Youth Development Program of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the many men and women who have made the program a success.


DONE IN OPEN COURT, this 3rd day of October, 2023.


Clay Lewis Jenkins
County Judge


Dr. Theresa M. Daniel
District 1


Andrew Sommerman
District 2


John Wiley Price
District 3


Dr. Elba Garcia
District 4