## Resolution

**ORDER NO 2025-0208** 

**DATE: March 4, 2025** 

STATE OF TEXAS

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**COUNTY OF DALLAS** 

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**BE IT REMEMBERED**, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 4th day of March, 2025, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa Daniel, Commissioner District 1, and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner District 4,

- WHEREAS, In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt designated March as National American Red Cross month. Each year, the elected president signs a proclamation honoring the American Red Cross's humanitarian commitment to serving communities across the United States and worldwide. Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross more than 140 years ago.
- WHEREAS, The American Red Cross is dedicated to preventing and alleviating human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing volunteers' power and donors' generosity. The American Red Cross provides critical services, including disaster relief, blood collection and distribution, support for military families, health and safety training, and
- WHEREAS, Our American Red Cross of North Texas serves more than 11 million people in 121 counties and comprises five local chapters: The DFW Metro East, DFW Metro West, Texas Panhandle Plains, East Texas, and Texas Big Country, and
- WHEREAS, The American Red Cross of North Texas assists people who are impacted by disasters daily, ranging from localized flooding and home fires to hurricanes and tornadoes. The North Texas Region's mission is to empower people to become survivors through training and reinforcing preparedness steps; knowledge becomes action, and action saves lives, and
- WHEREAS, The American Red Cross of North Texas collaborates with many organizations to serve our communities. Such as Sickle Cell Blood Drive with Dallas County. Dallas Fire-Rescue and Parkland Hospital provide blood transfusions to trauma patients, and many different companies within the County of Dallas for life-saving trainings, and
- WHEREAS, In 2024, the American Red Cross of North Texas held 2,010 blood drives, Responded to 1,705 disaster operations, Installed 3,815 free smoke alarms in homes, delivered 9,183 services for military members, veterans, and their families, trained 58,444 people in life-saving skills like CPR, first aid, and AED, and Instructed 15,172 students in aquatics and water safety, and
- WHEREAS, The American Red Cross of North Texas recognizes the critical need to enhance community preparedness programs to equip residents to cope better with disasters. We must recognize the importance of the American Red Cross's effectiveness in responding to future disasters, given the increasing frequency of severe weather events and
- WHEREAS, The American Red Cross of North Texas Board wishes to express its profound gratitude for the importance of volunteers and employees who tirelessly serve the communities of North Texas and would like to encourage everyone who can give blood and volunteer to help in their local communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dallas County Commissioners Court proclaims March 2025 as American Red Cross Month, calling upon citizens, government agencies, institutions, businesses, schools, and organizations in Dallas County to renew their commitment to volunteer, donate, and give blood to their local Red Cross.

**DONE IN OPEN COURT** this the 4th day of March, 2025.

Clay Lewis Jenkins County Judge Dr. Theresa Daniel Commissioner, District 1

Andrew Sommerman
Commissioner, District 2

John Wiley Price
Commissioner, District 3

Dr. Elba Garcia Commissioner, District 4