

Resolution



ORDER NO. 2013-1920

DATE: November 26, 2013

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 26th day of November, 2013 a motion made by Dr. Theresa Daniel, Commissioner District #1, and seconded by John Wiley Price, Commissioner District #3, the following Resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Dallas County Commissioner Court wishes to observe November as National Diabetes Month, a time for communities across the county – and the U.S. – to shine a spotlight on diabetes, encourage action to raise awareness, support families and communities and take steps to Stop Diabetes; and

Whereas, Nearly 26 million children and adults in the United States have diabetes. Another 79 million adults in the United States have pre-diabetes, a condition that increases their chances of developing type 2 diabetes. In Dallas County, 11.4% of residents have diabetes, a higher percentage than in Texas at 9.6% and in the U.S. at 8%.

Whereas, Two out of three people with diabetes die from heart disease or stroke. Diabetes is the leading cause of kidney failure. It is the leading cause of new cases of blindness among adults. The rate of amputation for people with diabetes is 10 times higher than for people without diabetes. About 60-70 percent of people with diabetes have mild to severe forms of nerve damage that could result in pain in the feet or hands, slowed digestion, sexual dysfunction and other nerve problems; and

Whereas, The American Diabetes Association estimates that the total national cost of diagnosed diabetes in the United States is \$245 billion, including \$176 billion in direct medical costs and \$69 billion in reduced productivity (disability, work loss, premature mortality). One in 10 health care dollars is spent treating diabetes and its complications. One in five health care dollars is spent caring for people with diabetes; and

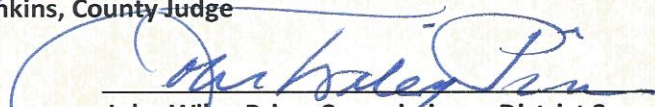
Whereas, There is good news: diabetes complications can be prevented or delayed by properly managing blood glucose, blood pressure and cholesterol levels. Eating healthy, being physically active and quitting smoking also can help lower the risk of diabetes complications. With early diagnosis and treatment, people with diabetes may prevent the development of these health problems; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby recognize November 14th as World Diabetes Day, an official United Nations World Day and the month of November as National Diabetes Month, in support of the extraordinary effort it takes to Stop Diabetes!

DONE IN OPEN COURT this the 26th day of November, 2013


Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge


Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner District 1


John Wiley Price, Commissioner District 3


Mike Cantrell, Commissioner District 2


Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner District 4