



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: November 5, 2013

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Approve Resolution Designating November as Diabetes Awareness Month.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Agenda in the County Judge's office **by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.** for the next week's meeting.

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Resolution

- WHEREAS,** Across America, November is recognized as the National Diabetes Awareness and Diabetes Prevention month; and,
- WHEREAS,** Diabetes affects youth, adults and elderly and is one of the leading causes of death and disability in the United States; and,
- WHEREAS,** Total health care and related costs for the treatment of diabetes run in excess of \$174 billion annually; and,
- WHEREAS,** Medical studies confirm that cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death for people with diabetes – about two out of three people with diabetes die of heart disease or stroke; and,
- WHEREAS,** Adults with diabetes have heart disease death rates about two to four Times higher than adults without diabetes and the risk for stroke is two to four times higher among people with diabetes and about 75 percent of adults with diabetes also have high blood pressure; and,
- WHEREAS,** Travis County is concerned of the prevalence of diabetes among its minority and general population at large because diabetes can lead to serious complications and premature death; and,
- WHEREAS,** Travis County residents with diabetes can take steps to control the disease And lower the risk of Complications; and,
- WHEREAS,** in Travis County we are proud to support Promotoras through the Latino Health Care Forum, and farm to table organizations like HOPE Farmers Markets at Plaza Saltillo, and Diabetes organizations whose mission is to educate families across our community on how to beat diabetes by eating fresh fruits and vegetables and exercise; and,
- WHEREAS,** Travis County is the home of Texas's newest extra virgin olive oil company, Salud De Paloma, the only Mexican American owned and Latina led extra virgin olive oil producer in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Salud de Paloma was formed with a mission to promote family health and nutrition and is a state of Texas champion of diabetes prevention among our minority populations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT DECLARES NOVEMBER 2013 AS DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH WISHES TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR YOUR GOOD DEEDS IN DIABETES EDUCATION AND PREVENTION.

Signed this 5th day of November, 2013.

Samuel T. Biscoe
Travis County Judge

Ron Davis
Commissioner, Precinct 1

Bruce Todd
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Gerald Daughtery
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Margaret J. Gómez
Commissioner, Precinct 4