

# Brown County Proclamation

**WHEREAS:** Nearly 225,000 children in Texas are reported as abused or neglected every year and with over 17,000 in Foster Care; and

**WHEREAS:** Child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people; and

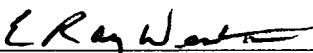
**WHEREAS:** Communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families; and

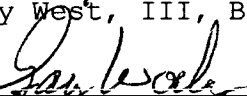
**WHEREAS:** Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

**WHEREAS:** Everyone in the community should become more aware of child abuse prevention and consider helping parents raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment;

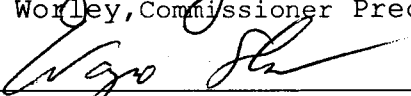
**NOW, THEREFORE,** we, the **County Commissioners Court of Brown County, Texas,** by virtue of the authority vested in this court, do hereby proclaim the month of **April, 2015,** as **Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month** in Brown County, and in so doing, urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in years to come. We encourage everyone to wear a blue shirt, dress, tie, or ribbon on Fridays in April.

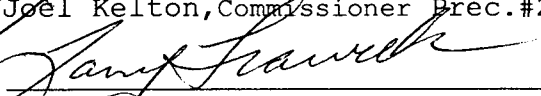
**DATE:** April 1, 2015

  
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E. Ray West, III, Brown County Judge

  
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Gary Worley, Commissioner Prec.#1

  
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Joel Kelton, Commissioner Prec.#2

  
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Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Prec.#3

  
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Larry Traweck, Commissioner Prec.#4

March 23, 2015  
(Exhibit #4)