



**A Resolution by Ellis County Commissioners' Court
Recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month
And Endorsing Legislation to Protect Children from Sexual Abuse**

WHEREAS, the fundamental role of government is to secure the rights of the governed by representing the needs and interests of the citizens through the rule of law; and

WHEREAS, when the rights of the governed are jeopardized by an emerging societal phenomenon, it becomes the duty of elected representatives to update the law in such a manner that will guard the public from that phenomenon; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, a special interest has emerged in the Western world which seeks to displace the values of traditional, family-oriented procreation and God-given biological identity; and

WHEREAS, the future of any great nation rests largely upon the hope of its next generation, and the elected representatives of Ellis County are dedicated to protecting our next generation from the predations of those who seek to interfere with the innocence and healthy development of all children; and

WHEREAS, the ideological gender movement is now targeting our children, the most impressionable and innocent among us, with material that will prematurely expose them to obscenity, distress their sense of identity, and ultimately stunt their natural development in such a way that could permanently deprive them of one of life's most meaningful endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a number of bills have been introduced in the Texas Legislature to restrict the distribution of sexually-explicit material in school libraries, prohibit obscene "drag" performances in the presence of children, and criminalize chemical or surgical interference with the natural, sexual development of minors;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the commissioners of Ellis County:


- Recognize April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Ellis County, Texas; and
- Declare that to deliberately expose children to sexually-explicit material in such a way that confuses their natural identity, or to deliberately impede their natural development, constitutes child abuse; and
- Endorse legislation restricting the distribution or display of sexually-explicit material to children;
- Endorse legislation prohibiting gender-transitioning or reassignment procedures for minors;
- Call upon Texas lawmakers of the 88th Legislature to stand firmly by all bills safeguarding the innocence, emotional development, and natural growth of our children.

In witness thereof, signed on the 4th day of April, 2023:


Randy Stinson, Precinct 1


Todd Little, County Judge


Lane Grayson, Precinct 2


Paul Perry, Precinct 3


Kyle Butler, Precinct 4


Attest: Krystal Valdez, County Clerk

