



**PROCLAMATION DECLARING MARCH 14 TO 20, 2011 AS
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS WEEK**

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF HAYS §

Whereas, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a chronic, progressive, disabling neurological disease of unknown origin that affects the central nervous system and has no known cure; and

Whereas, MS has been diagnosed in more than 400,000 people nationwide, with 200 more people diagnosed every week, whose family, friends and employers are affected as well; and

Whereas, the symptoms of MS vary, but include abnormal fatigue, numbness in arms and legs, blindness or even paralysis; and

Whereas, with early drug therapy and proper healthcare management, disease progression can be slowed, allowing people with MS to live active, rewarding and productive lives; and

Whereas, increased public awareness about MS not only helps people who must cope with the disease, but also stimulates funds for vital research aimed at developing more disease-modifying treatments and ultimately a cure; and

Whereas, the mission of the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation is to provide programs and support services to those persons affected by MS that help them maintain health, safety, self-sufficiency, and personal well-being; and to heighten public awareness of multiple sclerosis in order to elicit financial support for the MSF's programs and services and promote understanding for those diagnosed with the illness; and

Whereas, it is in the interest of Hays County to promote awareness of MS and a better understanding of people who live with the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Hays County Commissioners' Court does hereby proclaim the week of March 14 to 20, 2011 in Hays County as:

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS WEEK

ADOPTED THIS THE 8th DAY OF MARCH, 2011

Bert Cobb
Hays County Judge

Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe
Commissioner, Pct. 1

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Commissioner, Pct. 2

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Commissioner, Pct. 3

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Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

Liz Q. Gonzalez
Hays County Clerk

