

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY 5 – 9, 2025 AS AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS: Air quality can threaten our environment, economy, and the health of the residents of the Capital Area Council

of Governments (CAPCOG) region; and

WHEREAS: Children, older adults, people with lung disease and heart disease are particularly affected by poor air quality,

which makes up about half of all residents in Central Texas; and

WHEREAS: In 2024 air quality in the Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was moderate or

worse according to the Air Quality Index (AQI) nearly 50% of days; and

WHEREAS: In 2024, the Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos MSA exceeded the federal 8-hour ozone standard and the annual

fine particulate matter standard which increases the region's risk of being designated nonattainment; and

WHEREAS: Remaining in compliance with the NAAQS is important not only for public health, but also for the region's

economy and ability to conduct transportation planning; and

WHEREAS: The goals of the 2019-2026 Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos MSA Regional Air Quality Plan is to maximize

probability of compliance with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards and minimize health and

environmental impacts of air pollutions; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has designated May 5 - 9, 2025, as National Air Quality Awareness

Week; and

WHEREAS: Capital Area Council of Governments supports the efforts of the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition and the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency to promote air quality.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT MAY 5 - 9. 2025 IS RECOGNIZED AS:

Air Quality Awareness Week

in Caldwell County and encourages residents and employees to act to 'Be Air Aware' and educate themselves about local air quality by visiting CAPCOG's Air Central Texas website at AirCentralTexas.org and by promoting air quality and air quality awareness within our community.

PROCLAIMED this the 22nd day of April, 2025.

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B.J. Westmoreland

Commissioner, Procinct 1.

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Commissioner, Precinct 3

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