



Tyler County Commissioners Court Tyler County, Texas

WHEREAS, the people of Tyler County, Texas have great admiration and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served their country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in present use and was initially created as the Badge of Military Merit by George Washington in 1782; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart was the first American service award or decoration made available to the common soldier and is specifically awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who have been wounded or paid the ultimate sacrifice in combat with a declared enemy of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from Tyler County, Texas, who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, many men and women in uniform have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, October 29, 2018 has officially been designated as the day in Tyler County, Texas to remember and recognize veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart Medal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques L. Blanchette County Judge of Tyler County, join with the Tyler County Commissioners, to hereby proclaim Tyler County, Texas

A PURPLE HEART COUNTY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands to this Proclamation
29th day of October 2018.

**JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE
TYLER COUNTY JUDGE**

**MARTIN NASH
COMMISSIONER PCT 1**

**RUSTY HUGHES
COMMISSIONER PCT 2**

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