

## ***National Therapy Animal Day***

***WHEREAS, there are thousands of Pet Partners therapy animal teams serving in communities across the United States; and***

***WHEREAS, Pet Partners has designated April 30<sup>th</sup> as National Therapy Animal Day; and***

***WHEREAS, Pet Partners therapy animal teams in Tarrant County play an essential role in improving human health and well-being through the human-animal bond; and***

***WHEREAS, therapy animal teams make millions of visits per year in settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, schools and hospice; and***

***WHEREAS, therapy animal teams interact with a variety of people in our community including veterans, seniors, patients, students facing literacy challenges and those approaching end of life; and***

***WHEREAS, these exceptional therapy animals who partner with their human companions bring comfort and healing to those in need.***

***NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, do hereby proclaim April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, as “National Therapy Animal Day” throughout Tarrant County and encourage our citizens to celebrate our therapy animals and their human handlers.***

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, publicly salute the service of therapy animal teams in our community and in communities across the nation.***

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.***