

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

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 T exaclean Air Coalition and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to promote air quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Hughson, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of San Marcos, T exasto hereby proclaim the week of May 5-9, 2025 as

## AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK

**AND DO HEREBY** call upon all persons of the City of San Marcos to take action to Be Air Aware and educate themselves about local air quality by visiting the City of San Marcos Air Quality Webpage at sanmarcostx.gov/Air-Quality and by promoting air quality and air quality awareness within our community.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of San Marcos, T exasthis the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2026.

Attest:

Elizabeth Trevino

City Clerk

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Jane Hughson