

**Clay County Commissioners Court
Clay County, Texas**

WHEREAS, the people of the county of Clay, 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

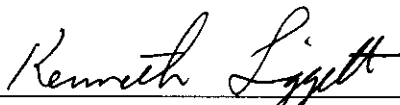
WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from Clay County, Texas, who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Nov 13, 2018 has officially been designated as the day in Clay County, Texas to remember and recognize veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart Medal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth Liggett, County Judge of Clay, join with the Clay County Commissioners, to hereby proclaim Clay County, Texas

A PURPLE HEART COUNTY


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands to the Proclamation 13 day of Nov, 2018.



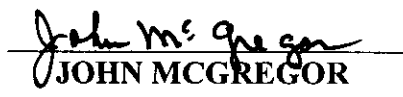
**KENNETH LIGGETT
CLAY COUNTY JUDGE**



**RICHARD LOWERY
COMMISSIONER PCT 1**



**JOHNNY GEE
COMMISSIONER PCT 2**



**JOHN MCGREGOR
COMMISSIONER PCT 3**



**RICHARD KEEN
COMMISSIONER PCT 4**