

National Donate Life Month Proclamation

Whereas, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

Whereas, more than 106,000 men, women, and children await life-saving or life-enhancing organ transplants, of which over 3,100 reside in Georgia; and

Whereas, the need for organ, eye and tissue donation grows daily as a new patient is added to the national waiting list for an organ transplant every 11 minutes; and

Whereas, the critical donor shortage remains a public health crisis as an average of 18 people die daily due to the lack of available organs; and

Whereas, organ, eye, and tissue donation can provide families the comfort of knowing the gift of donated organs and tissue endows another person with renewed hope for a healthy life; and

Whereas, donating life through organ, eye, and tissue donation is the ultimate act of generosity and kindness we County citizens can perform; and

Whereas, 7,241 citizens of Jones County have already registered their decision to Give the Gift of Life at www.dontelifegeorgia.org; and

Whereas, LifeLink of Georgia is the non-profit, community service organization dedicated to the recovery of high quality organs and tissues for transplantation therapy; and

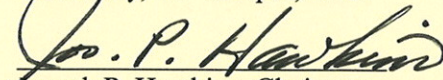
Whereas, Jones County supports LifeLink of Georgia's life-saving mission; and

Now Therefore, the Board of Commissioners of Jones County, Georgia in memory of Allison Snyder Childs do hereby proclaim April 2010 as

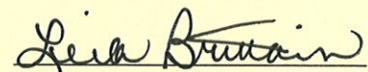
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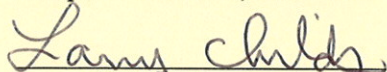
In Jones County to honor all those who made the decision to give the gift of life, to focus attention on the extreme need for organ, eye and tissue donation, to encourage all residents to take action and sign up on Georgia's Donor Registry at www.donatelifegeorgia.org to discuss the miracle of transplantation as a family, and to make a family commitment to organ, eye, and tissue donation.

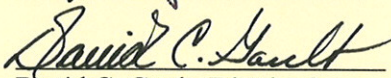
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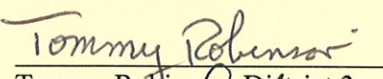

Joseph P. Hawkins, Chairman

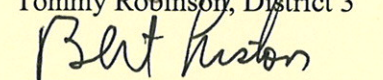
Jones County Board of Commissioners


Attest: Leila Brittain
County Clerk


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David C. Gault, District 2


Tommy Robinson, District 3


Bert Liston, District 4