

## **Recognizing February 14, 2025 as Food Connection Day in Guadalupe County**

Whereas, Food Connected Day in Guadalupe County is an annual event sponsored and organized by the Guadalupe County Farm Bureau. Food Connection Day serves an opportunity to promote education about where food comes from, agricultural practices, and highlights the efforts and processes that farmers and ranchers undertake in food production; and

Whereas, Agriculture contributes over \$100 billion to the economy of the State of Texas annually, with Texas leading the nation in the number of farms, totaling approximately 230,000. These farms collectively cover an expansive 125 million acres; and

Whereas, statistics indicate that fifty years ago, one farmer could feed 26 individuals. However, with advancements in technology, scientific methodologies, reduced reliance on chemicals, and decreased fuel consumption, a single farmer can now feed 155 individuals; and

Whereas, in the previous year, approximately 162,000 acres were dedicated to cropland and grass/pastures in our county, compared to the mid-1800s when land use primarily focused on crops and livestock; and

Whereas, it is important that we all have access to and consume healthy foods, even during tough economic times, and the farmers and ranchers of Guadalupe County are here to help make that possible; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that, the Guadalupe Count Commissionerrs Court hereby designates February 14, 2025, as Food Connection Day in Guadalupe County.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of January 2025.

GUADALUPE COUNTY:

Kyle Kutscher County Judge

Jacqueline Ott Commissioner, Precinct 1

Michael Carpenter Commissioner, Precinct 3



ATTEST:

deput Teresa Kie County Clerk

Drew Engelke Commissioner, Precinct 2

Stephen Germann

Commissioner, Precinct 4