## Office of the County Judge Fort Bend County, Texas

## **Proclamation**

Whereas, Texas hurricane season officially begins June 1<sup>st</sup> and ends November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014; and

Whereas, the 624 mile Texas Gulf coastline, our area in particular, and areas of Texas hundreds of miles inland, are vulnerable to the devastating effects of a hurricane or tropical storm; and

Whereas, both public and private entities should develop emergency response and recovery plans in accordance with local jurisdictions and local emergency management offices; and

Whereas, the Governor's Division of Emergency Management, the National Weather Service, and the Fort Bend County Office of Emergency Management strongly suggest that all residents and visitors to this area be made aware of the potential dangers of these storms; and

Whereas, the best defense is preparedness and public education about the dangers of high winds, storm surges, flooding, and tornadoes that may occur for hundreds of miles in conjunction with a hurricane or tropical storm; and

Whereas, the National Weather Service has declared the week of May 25 – May 31, 2014, as:

## Hurricane Awareness Week

and I, Robert E. Hebert, County Judge of Fort Bend County, urge all citizens to participate in hurricane preparedness activities, and to pay close attention to hurricane watch and warning instructions.

In Witness Whereof, I have caused the Official Seal of the Office of the County Judge to be affixed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge