

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, November 2003 marks the 25th anniversary of National Hospice Month; and

WHEREAS, last year, approximately 885,000 terminally ill patients and their families received care from the 3,200 hospice programs in communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, hospice care provides patients and families with professional medical services, pain and symptom control, and emotional and spiritual support, most often delivered in the home, allowing patients to live in dignity, treated with respect, surrounded and supported by loved ones, familiar friends, and committed caregivers; and

WHEREAS, professional and compassionate hospice staff and trained volunteers—including physicians, nurses, social workers, therapists, counselors, health aides, and clergy—provide comprehensive care making the wishes of each patient a priority; and

WHEREAS, family members and loved ones receive counseling and bereavement care to help them cope with the many losses they face during the illness and with the grief they experience afterwards; and

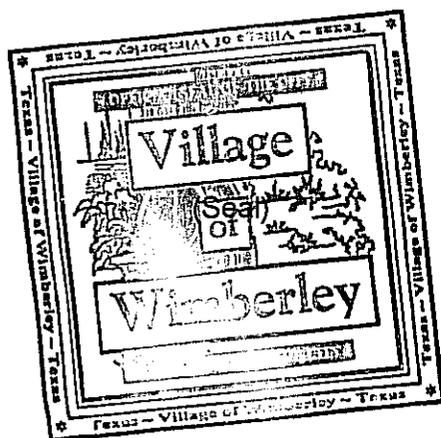
WHEREAS, providing high-quality hospice care reaffirms our belief in the essential dignity of every person, regardless of age, health, or social status, and that every state of human life deserves to be treated with the utmost respect and care;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Stephen J. Klepfer, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Village of Wimberley, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2003 as:

NATIONAL HOSPICE MONTH

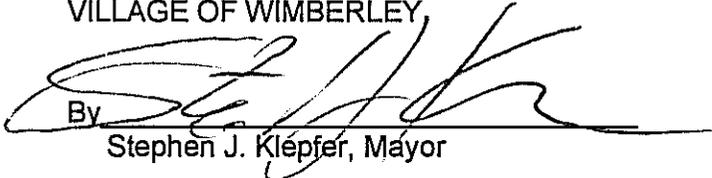
and call upon all citizens to increase their awareness of the importance and availability of hospice services and to observe this month with appropriate activities and programs.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Village of Wimberley, Texas, this 6th day of November, 2003.

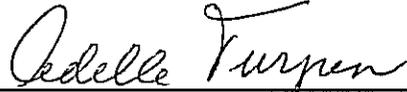


VILLAGE OF WIMBERLEY

By


Stephen J. Klepfer, Mayor

ATTEST:


Adelle Turpen, City Secretary