



**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE RIBBON CUTTING AND GRAND OPENING OF  
THE ACCEYSS (ASSOCIATION OF COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITIES EQUIPPING  
YOUTH FOR STEEAAM SUCCESS) NETWORK UNIVERSITY-COMMUNITY RESOURCE  
CENTER IN SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, ON JANUARY 21, 2021**

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
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COUNTY OF HAYS       §

**WHEREAS**, Hays County is strategically located in the Austin-San Antonio Corridor and the Texas Innovation Corridor, and is ranked as the second fastest-growing county in the nation with a population of 222,631 in 2018 and is considered America’s Next Great Metropolis by Forbes; and

**WHEREAS**, Hays County is home to Texas State University, an emerging research and Hispanic-serving institution with nearly 39,000 students, known for its diverse, talented workforce and ability to prepare well-rounded, tech-savvy graduates; and

**WHEREAS**, Hays County is increasingly becoming known for its innovation and emerging capabilities to prepare youth to enter the science technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) workforce development pipeline in the following related industries: Aerospace, Aviation, Security & Defense, Business Services & Support, Materials Science, Information Technology, Life Sciences, and Regional Distribution; and

**WHEREAS**, ACCEYSS (Association of Collaborative Communities Equipping youth for STEEAAM Success) Network serves a university-community partnership and coalition focused on providing underrepresented and underserved youth and families with access to STEM and Agriculture pathways while infusing Entrepreneurship and the Arts (referred to as STEEAAM), is establishing its headquarters in San Marcos, Texas with the opening of the ACCEYSS University-Community Resource Center on Thursday, January 21, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the ACCEYSS Network, in collaboration with local government, economic and workforce development agencies, education, and industry partners, is committed to helping faith-based and community organizations that have historically influenced the social, educational, and economic advancement of underrepresented minorities obtain resources and funding to strengthen the STEEAAM workforce development ecosystem in the Greater San Marcos region to promote ACCEYSS for all students.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hays County Commissioners Court does hereby recognize the Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening of the ACCEYSS (Association of Collaborative Communities Equipping Youth for STEEAAM Success) Network university-community resource center in San Marcos, Texas, on January 21, 2021.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 26<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2021**

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**Ruben Becerra**  
Hays County Judge

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**Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe**  
Commissioner, Pct. 1

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**Mark Jones**  
Commissioner, Pct. 2

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**Lon A. Shell**  
Commissioner, Pct. 3

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**Walt Smith**  
Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

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**Elaine H. Cárdenas, MBA, PhD**  
Hays County Clerk