



**A Proclamation by the Ellis County Judge Todd Little
in Observance of Constitution Day on September 17th, 2021**

WHEREAS, in the late 18th Century, the American Republic was born out of a historic struggle to establish representative government that would respect the rights of the people; and

WHEREAS, upon its founding, the United States Government became the first in the modern world built upon the principles of individual rights, limited government, and self-determination; and

WHEREAS, the unique structure of written law, checks & balances, and federalism of the United States Constitution has ensured its success over the course of two-hundred & thirty-four years; and

WHEREAS, having been ratified in 1787, the United States Constitution enjoys the historically remarkable status of being the oldest written constitution still in effect among the nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, since 1952, Americans have commemorated September 17th as the day the Constitution was signed in 1787; and

WHEREAS, by an amendment to an act of Congress in 2004, September 17th was formally declared as Constitution Day in the United States; and

WHEREAS, continued success of the American form of government is possible only through national appreciation of the uniqueness of the United States Constitution;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Ellis County Judge Todd Little, recognize September 17th as Constitution Day in Ellis County, Texas.

In witness thereof, signed the 16th of September, 2021 –



Todd Little, Ellis County Judge