## RECOGNIZING THE 101ST BIRTHDAY

## OF ELLIS JAMES "WILLIE" WILLIAMSON

## County of Polk

WHEREAS, longevity of life is a blessing for an individual and for a community which benefits from the knowledge, creativity, and experiences this individual brings to all; and

WHEREAS, the County of Polk recognizes with respect and admiration the contribution of senior citizens to our community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ellis James "Willie" Williamson was born April 16, 1923 in Gallatin, Texas where he went to school. He has been a resident of Polk County for many years; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, Mr. Williamson served his country in the Army Air Corp, valiantly flying many dangerous missions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson was married to Antoinette Lima, and was blessed with a loving family of 3 children, 4 grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson later married Priscilla Carrick, and was blessed with 2 stepdaughters; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson worked over 30 years as a paint salesman, retiring before owning and operating a trucking company, from which he retired, and finally retired for the last time from Devoe Paint in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson has contributed as a great neighbor and friend of his Yaupon Cove community and has a boat ramp dedicated to him honoring his selfless service; and

WHEREAS, "Willie", as he is affectionately known by many, in his retirement has devoted his time in the service of his family and community, being highly respected for his many contributions; and

WHEREAS, Today, Mr. Willie Williamson should be honored for his 101 years on this earth; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that I, Sydney Murphy, County Judge of Polk County, on behalf of the Commissioners Court and the citizens of Polk County, honor Ellis James Williamson, for his long life and prosperity, and wish him many more birthdays.

This the 9th day of April, 2024.

Sydney Murphy, Polk Coucty Judge

Schelana Hock, Polk County Clerk