



Christian County Commission Proclamation

Whereas Reasons Rescue Ranch stands as a forward-operating sanctuary in the ongoing mission to defend and protect animals once broken, abandoned, and without refuge—providing them not only shelter, but dignity, purpose, and a secure place to complete their lives in peace; and

Whereas its volunteers serve with unwavering commitment, operating on the front lines of animal welfare—organizing fundraisers, training programs, horse camps, hayrides, and community engagements that strengthen readiness, education, and compassion across all generations; and

Whereas more than thirty years ago, TJ and Rita Reasons established this mission from a single barn, demonstrating grit, resolve, and an unyielding sense of duty—building from the ground up what now stands as a stronghold of care and perseverance; and

Whereas following the passing of TJ Reasons in 2014, Rita Reasons assumed command of this mission, carrying it forward with courage and steadfast determination, supported by a loyal corps of family, friends, and volunteers who have devoted countless hours to sustaining and expanding its operations; and

Whereas recognizing the escalating need to respond to the crisis of neglected and abandoned animals, Rita Reasons secured nonprofit status in January 2018—formalizing the Ranch as a disciplined and organized force dedicated to rescue, rehabilitation, and rehoming; and

Whereas Reasons Rescue Ranch ensures that all resources entrusted to its care are deployed directly to the mission—providing sanctuary, medical care, and placement into loving homes, with a standing order that no animal is left behind and no suffering goes unanswered; and

Whereas the volunteers and supporters of this mission exemplify the highest standards of service, sacrifice, and community defense—answering the call without hesitation and giving selflessly for those who cannot speak for themselves;

Now, Therefore, we, The Christian County Commission, do hereby proclaim:

June 6th, 2026, as "REASONS RESCUE RANCH APPRECIATION DAY"

and calls upon all citizens to recognize and support this vital mission, to stand in solidarity with those who serve on the front lines of animal rescue, and to honor their commitment to ensuring that no animal is forgotten, abandoned, or left to suffer.



In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hand and caused the seal of Christian County, Missouri to be affixed on this 6th day of June 2026.


Presiding Commissioner
Lynn Morris


Western Commissioner
Johnny Williams


Eastern Commissioner
Bradley A. Jackson

ATTEST:


County Clerk
Paula Brunfield

