



**STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

Crime is a scourge on our society. It tears apart the lives of those directly and indirectly affected, breeding feelings of fear, anger and helplessness. As caring citizens, we are obligated to do all in our power to ensure that our communities are not victimized by criminals.

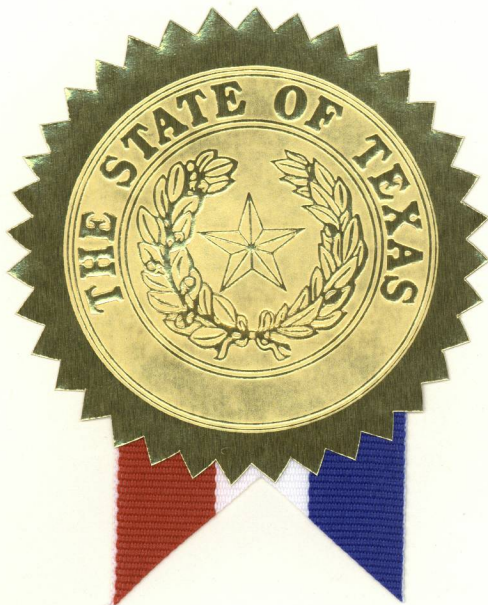
Since they began in 1976, Crime Stoppers programs have empowered citizens across our state to take a stand against crime. These programs bring together businesses, citizens, law enforcement and the media to combat crime and make our communities safer.

Crime Stoppers has helped solve over one million crimes across the nation. By encouraging citizens to help reduce crime by combining media awareness, monetary rewards and anonymity for informants, Crime Stoppers has created an effective method for solving crimes and helping citizens take back control over their neighborhoods.

Every year, Crime Stoppers sponsors a campaign in January to increase awareness of its successful crime reduction efforts. I encourage all Texans to join in this effort and work to make our communities even safer.

Therefore, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim
January 2010,

Crime Stoppers Month



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
18th day of December, 2009.

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas