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Burleson Mayor Ken Shetter proclaimed the week of Nov. 3-7, 2008, as Municipal Court Week in Burleson. Accepting the proclamation during the Oct. 23 Burleson City Council meeting were Municipal Court Administrator Constance White and city marshal Lee Westcott.

According to the proclamation, the municipal court of Burleson is a time-honored and vital part of local government. More people, citizens and non-citizens alike, come in personal contact with municipal courts more than all other Texas courts combined. The public's impression of the entire Texas judicial system largely depends on the public's experience in municipal court.

Municipal judges, marshals, bailiffs and court support personnel have pledged to be neutral and impartial in rendering equal service to all and conform to the standards set by the Canons of Judicial Conduct. According to the proclamation, the municipal court serves as the local justice center for the enforcement of local ordinances and fine-only state offenses that protect the peace and dignity of the community. The judges and clerks participate in judicial education programs, seminars, workshops and annual meetings of their state and local professional organizations.

The proclamation asks everyone to express appreciation to all Burleson municipal judges, marshals, bailiffs and court support personnel for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the community.

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PICTURED: City Marshal Lee Westcott, Municipal Court Administrator Constance White and Mayor Ken Shetter