



MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

RESOLUTION

Requesting Texas Legislature to protect Bay and Estuary Freshwater Inflows

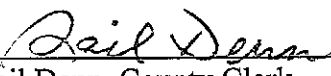
- WHEREAS,** freshwater inflows to the Matagorda/Lavaca Bay system are important to commercial and recreational fisherman, bird watchers and other citizens living and working in Matagorda County; and
- WHEREAS,** the sport fishing industry makes a tremendous contribution to the economy of Matagorda County through the tourism it attracts; and
- WHEREAS,** the commercial fishing industry provides many jobs in Matagorda County and supplies fresh fish to local restaurants and markets around the area; and
- WHEREAS,** Matagorda County is an international birding destination because of the tremendous diversity of birds occurring here; and
- WHEREAS,** the sport and commercial fishing industries, bird watching, and other nature-related tourism activities help support a variety of businesses in Matagorda County, including hotels and restaurants, tour guide operators, marinas and boat dealers, fishing equipment and supply outlets, and bait dealers and fish houses; and
- WHEREAS,** sport and commercial fishing and other tourism industries can be harmed by the failure to ensure that sufficient freshwater flows reach the Matagorda/Lavaca Bay system; and
- WHEREAS,** in light of the foregoing, it is important for our governing body to speak out strongly in favor of the Texas Legislature taking steps to protect freshwater inflows

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioners' Court of Matagorda County, Texas, in Regular Session with all members present and concurring, hereby respectfully urge Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, Senator Glenn Hegar, and Representative Mike O'Day to develop and enact legislation to protect freshwater inflows. which will result in maintaining a viable and productive estuarine system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Minutes of this Court as public acknowledgment of this resolution.


PASSED IN OPEN COURT, this the 19th day of March, 2007.

Attest:


Gail Denn, County Clerk



Approved:


Nate McDonald, County Judge


Daniel Pusika, Commissioner Precinct #1


George Deshotels, Commissioner, Precinct #2


James Gibson, Commissioner, Precinct #3


David Woodson, Commissioner, Precinct #4

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