



Resolution

STATE OF TEXAS

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COMMISSIONERS COURT

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

BE IT REMEMBERED at a meeting of Commissioners Court of Jefferson County, Texas, held on the 31ST day of JANUARY, 2005, on motion made by WAYMON D. HALLMARK, Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, and seconded by EDDIE ARNOLD, Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, freshwater inflows to Sabine Lake are important to commercial and recreational fishermen, bird watchers and other citizens living and working in Jefferson County and surrounding areas; and,

WHEREAS, the sport fishing industry makes a tremendous contribution to the economy of Southeast Texas through the tourism it attracts; and,

WHEREAS, the commercial fishing industry provides many jobs in Southeast Texas and supplies fresh fish to local restaurants and markets around the area; and,

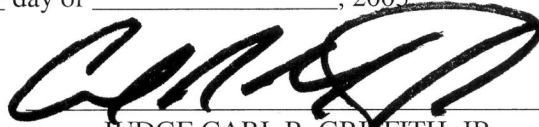
WHEREAS, Jefferson County is an international birding destination because of the tremendous diversity of birds occurring here; and,

WHEREAS, the sport and commercial fishing industries, bird watching, and other nature-related tourism activities help support a variety of businesses in Jefferson County, including hotels and restaurants, tour guide operators, marinas and boat dealers, fishing equipment and supply outlets, 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 Sabine Lake system.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Commissioners Court of Jefferson County, Texas, does hereby respectfully urge Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, Senator Kyle Janek, Senator Tommy Williams, Representative Allan Ritter, and Representative Joseph Deshotel to develop and enact legislation to protect freshwater inflows.


SIGNED this 31st day of JANUARY, 2005



JUDGE CARL R. GRIFFITH, JR.
County Judge



COMMISSIONER EDDIE ARNOLD
Precinct No. 1



COMMISSIONER WAYMON D. HALLMARK
Precinct No. 3



COMMISSIONER MARK L. DOMINGUE



COMMISSIONER EVERETTE D. ALFRED