

R-04-11
BAY AND ESTUARY INFLOWS

WHEREAS, freshwater inflows to the Bay system are important to commercial and recreational fisherman, bird watchers and other citizens living and working in and surrounding areas; and

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

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

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

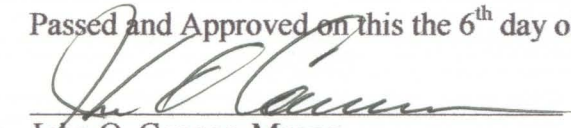
WHEREAS, the sport and commercial fishing industries, bird watching, and other nature-related tourism activities help support a variety of businesses in the area, including hotels and restaurants, tour guide operators, marinas and boat dealers, fishing equipment and supply outlets, and bait dealers and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

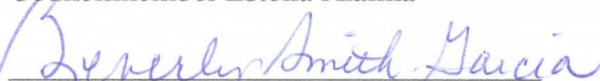
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Palacios and its Mayor urges all citizens of this city to support the development and legislation to protect freshwater inflows.


Passed and Approved on this the 6th day of December, 2004.

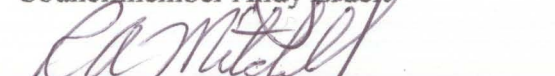

John O. Connor, Mayor

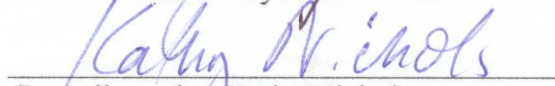
Councilmember Joe Morton

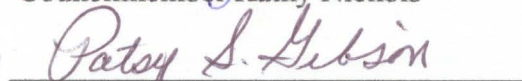

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Attest: Patsy S. Gibson, City Secretary