



**A Resolution by Ellis County Commissioners' Court in Support of the Governor
to Take Necessary Action to Stop the Chaos on Our Border**

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of Texas residents are under an imminent threat from the unprecedented levels of illegal immigration, human trafficking, and drug smuggling coming across the U.S. border from Mexico.

WHEREAS, since January 2021, more than 3.2 million illegal aliens have been apprehended after unlawfully entering the United States, and more than 800,000 illegal aliens have avoided apprehension while unlawfully entering the United States and remain unaccounted for within our nation. So far this year, Customs and Border Patrol has identified more than 50 known terrorists who have unlawfully entered the United States through our border with Mexico. The unprecedented amount of human trafficking, combined with the smuggling of fentanyl and other opioids infiltrating our southern border, has killed over 71,238 American citizens.

The sophisticated human trafficking and drug smuggling organizations that facilitate these criminal acts are spearheaded by violent international drug cartels who, at times, have operational control over the southern border. They not only threaten our citizens, but the citizens of the various nations from which the trafficked victims originate.

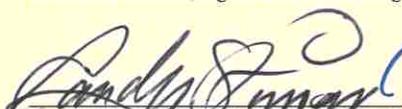
WHEREAS, the ongoing immigration crisis on the Texas border is not acceptable and may constitute an invasion, having resulted in a security threat and humanitarian disaster with overwhelming consequences to the residents of Texas.

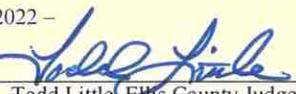
WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Ellis County, Texas, has determined that extraordinary but lawful measures must be taken to ensure the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of county residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners' Court of Ellis County, Texas:

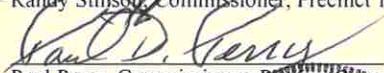
1. That pursuant to Section 433.005(a) of the Texas Government Code (Calling of State Military Forces) and Article 4, Section 7 of the Texas Constitution (Governor as Commander-in-Chief of Military Forces), this resolution does hereby request that the Governor of Texas, as Commander-in-Chief of the military forces of the State, take all necessary and legal steps to preserve and protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Texas; and
2. That this resolution hereby requests the Governor of Texas to act under the constitutional authority granted to him under Article 4, Section 7 of the Texas Constitution (Governor as Commander-in-Chief of Military Forces) and Article 1, Section 10, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution (Invasion and Imminent Danger) to immediately prevent and/or remove all persons trespassing as well as *invading* the sovereignty of Texas and that of the United States; and
3. The intent of this resolution is to encourage the use of all lawfully available authority and resources granted under both the Constitution of Texas and the Constitution of the United States to protect the sovereignty of the State of Texas and the security of her citizens; and
4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance and, upon approval by the Ellis County Commissioners' Court, shall continue in effect until terminated by the Commissioners' Court.

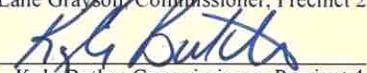
In witness thereof, signed the 23rd of August, 2022 –

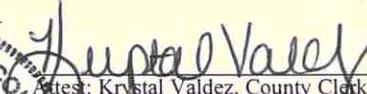

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