



State of Texas	§	
	§	Resolution 2025-03
County of Ellis	§	

**A Resolution by Ellis County Commissioners' Court
In Support of the Creation of Emergency Services District 12 (Milford)**

WHEREAS, private citizens across Texas with a calling to serve have organized volunteer fire departments to protect the lives and property of their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, volunteer firefighters and other private first responders do their best to purchase and maintain the equipment they need to effectively serve, but costs can often be prohibitive for departments operating on a volunteer basis; and

WHEREAS, to help rural communities improve emergency response, the Texas Legislature first authorized the creation of Rural Fire Protection Districts in 1949 and then consolidated these services into Emergency Services Districts in 1987; and

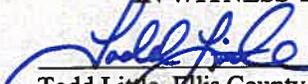
WHEREAS, an Emergency Services District is authorized by the Texas Constitution to levy a tax burden on local citizens to help emergency responders cover the costs of their services; and

WHEREAS, the Milford Volunteer Fire Department and local citizens have determined that the best way to improve the coverage, response times, and equipment of their emergency services is to organize a new Emergency Services District in Ellis County; and

WHEREAS, the Ellis County Commissioners' Court accepted a petition and held a public hearing to create Emergency Services District 12 (Milford) on January 21st, 2025, ordering an election to be held for the same on May 3rd 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ellis County Commissioners' Court expresses its full support for the creation of Emergency Services District 12 (Milford) and has authorized the Elections Administrator to hold, notice, and administer an election for the creation of ESD #12 by eligible local voters on May 3rd, 2025.

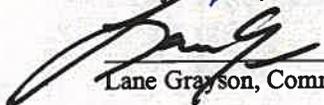
IN WITNESS THEREOF, SIGNED THE 18th DAY OF MARCH, 2025 –



Todd Little, Ellis County Judge



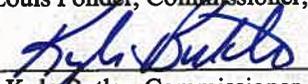
Randy Strison, Commissioner, Precinct 1



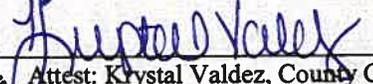
Lane Grayson, Commissioner, Precinct 2



Louis Ponder, Commissioner, Precinct 3



Kyle Butler, Commissioner, Precinct 4



Attest: Krystal Valdez, County Clerk

