

COUNTY OF GALVESTON

On this the 3rd day of February 2025, the **Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas** convened in a regularly scheduled meeting with the following members thereof present:

Mark A. Henry, County Judge;
Darrell A. Apffel, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1;
Joe Giusti, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2;
Hank Dugie, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; (Absent)
Robin Armstrong, MD, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; and
Dwight D. Sullivan, County Clerk

when the following proceedings, among others, were had, to wit:

Whereas, the State of Texas requires political subdivisions in Section 2051 of the Government Code to publish public notices to keep citizens informed of public meetings and governmental actions; and

Whereas, HB 1080 allows political subdivisions to complete these public notice standards via media with greater access than legacy newspapers, guaranteeing that citizens are communicated with efficiently; and

Whereas, the use of alternative media, including utility bills, direct mailings, websites, and social media provides a widely accessible means of notice, especially for citizens who do not consume legacy print media; and

Whereas, HB 1080 will reduce taxpayer burden by eliminating costs of traditional newspaper advertising while enhancing transparency and access to information; and

Whereas, the passage of HB 1080 is an opportunity to end the exclusive, monopolistic publication rights of newspapers, allowing political subdivisions to choose the most efficient and economical means of communication.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas hereby acknowledges the following:

- 1. The Galveston County Commissioners Court expresses its support for HB 1080 and thanks Representative Pat Curry for introducing this important piece of legislation; and
- The Galveston County Commissioners Court respectfully requests that the Texas Legislature pass HB 1080 during the 89th Legislative Session.

Be it Further Resolved that a copy of this Resolution is spread upon the minutes of this Court and copies be sent to the Office of the Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Texas, and the Office of the Governor of Texas.

Upon Motion Duly Made and Seconded, the above Resolution passed this 3rd day of February 2025.

Attest:

Mandy Chapman Dwight D. Sullivan, County Elerk

Darrell A. Apffel, Comm., Pct. #1

Joe Giusti, Comm., Pct. #2

County of Galveston, Texas

By:

Mark A. Henry, County Judge

Absent

Hank Dugie, Comm., Pct. #3

Robin Armstrong, MD, Comm., Pct. #4