



COUNTY OF GALVESTON

On this the 17th day of March 2025 the **Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas** convened in a special meeting with the following members thereof present:

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

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

Whereas, SB 1813 has been filed in the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature and would allow for the temporary appointment of the duties of the County Judge in Galveston County initiated by the elected County Judge, especially in case of disaster; and

Whereas, Texas Local Government Code section 81.028 already permits for the temporary delegation of the duties of County Judge in counties with a population of more than 1.5 million; and

Whereas, Texas Local Government Code sections 81.029 and 81.0291 permit for the temporary delegation of the duties of a County Judge in two additional counties who have populations less than 1.5 million; and

Whereas, Both the State of Texas and many municipalities have a legal process for who can handle the disaster powers and administrative duties of a chief executive if they are unavailable, especially during times of disaster; and

Whereas, the Texas Local Government Code currently does not provide Galveston County a legal mechanism for temporary leadership or delegation of duties in cases where a county judge is incapacitated or unavailable, thereby hindering the continuity and risk management of county government; and

Whereas, SB 1813 is necessary to provide a legal framework for the temporary delegation of the duties of a County Judge to ensure efficient and effective county government operations in Galveston County, especially during times of disaster

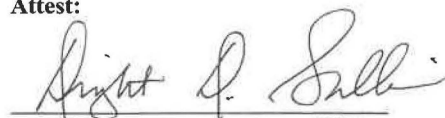
Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the **Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas** hereby acknowledges the following:

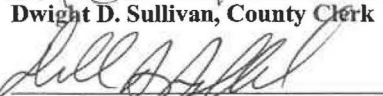
1. The **Galveston County Commissioners Court** expresses its support for SB 1813 and thanks Senator Mayes Middleton for introducing this important piece of legislation; and
2. The **Galveston County Commissioners Court** respectfully requests that the Texas Legislature pass SB 1813 during the 89th Legislative Session.

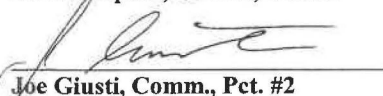
Be it Further Resolved that a copy of this **Resolution** is spread upon the minutes of this **Court** and copies be sent to the Office of the Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Texas, and the Office of the Governor of Texas.

Upon Motion Duly Made and Seconded, the above **Resolution** passed this 17th day of March 2025.

Attest:


Dwight D. Sullivan, County Clerk

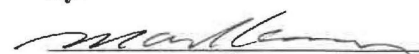

Darrell Appfel, Comm., Pct. #1



Joe Giusti, Comm., Pct. #2



County of Galveston, Texas

By:


Mark A. Henry, County Judge


Hank Dugie, Comm., Pct. #3


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