

RESOLUTON #099

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN, TEXAS TO OPPOSE THE U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE'S PURSUIT OF BURNET COUNTY PROPERTY TO ENLARGE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.

WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) plans on acquiring 34,000 acres of land in the Burnet County area in order to enlarge the Balconies Canyonlands National Wildlife Refuge (RCNWR), and

WHEREAS, the BCNWR already occupies 17, 000 acres in both Travis and Burnet Counties in order to protect the habitats of endangered species Golden Cheeked Warbler and the Black-Capped Vireo, and

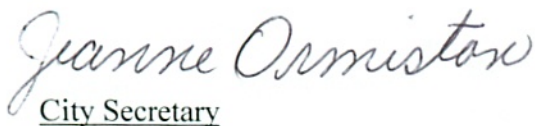
WHEREAS, removing the property tax revenue of the acquired 34,000 acres of land would adversely effect the county and school districts, and

WHEREAS, FWS acquisition of the proposed land would create an atmosphere of government regulation parallel to that of a landowner becoming a government land manager;

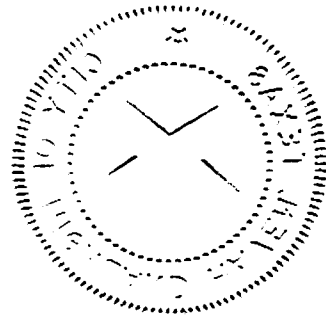
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN RESOLVES TO OPPOSE UNITED STATES FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE'S PURSUIT TO ACQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL 34,000 ACRES OF LAND IN THE BURNET COUNTY AREA IN ORDER TO ENLARGE THE BALCONES CANYONLANDS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.

Passed on the 17th day of October 2000 by the Highland Haven, Texas Board of Aldermen.


Jake Kalisvaart, Mayor


City Secretary





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