



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commissioners Court of Refugio County:

- 1. Expresses unity across political and geographic boundaries**, recognizing that the counties of South Texas share a common interest in protecting the long-term sustainability of regional water resources and affirming that decisions affecting shared aquifers and water supplies should reflect equitable consideration of all communities reliant upon those resources.
- 2. Affirms its commitment to regional coordination and collaboration** with counties, municipalities, groundwater conservation districts, river authorities, and state leadership to identify balanced, transparent, and sustainable responses to current water supply challenges.
- 3. Supports a coordinated regional planning approach** that evaluates the cumulative impacts of water sourcing decisions and prioritizes solutions that promote long-term water reliability, economic stability, agricultural viability, and public health across South Texas.
- 4. Encourages careful evaluation and monitoring of any proposed large-scale or accelerated withdrawals from the Evangeline Aquifer**, including assessment of potential impacts on groundwater availability, long-term supply reliability, and the sustainability of existing users across multiple jurisdictions.
- 5. Emphasizes that short-term emergency measures should not create disproportionate or irreversible impacts to shared groundwater resources**, particularly recognizing that many rural communities have limited alternatives for water supply diversification.
- 6. Encourages continued exploration of diversified water supply strategies**, including conservation initiatives, infrastructure maintenance and improvements, water reuse technologies, aquifer management strategies, desalination opportunities, and strengthened regional partnerships that improve long-term water resilience, recognizing that such strategies may require financial support through state and/or federal programs.
- 7. Requests coordination with the Office of the Governor, the Texas Water Development Board, groundwater conservation districts, and other appropriate state and regional entities, and supports pursuit of available state and federal funding opportunities**, to ensure that regional impacts are considered in both emergency response measures and long-term water planning decisions affecting South Texas.
- 8. Directs that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted** to the Governor of Texas, members of the Texas Legislature representing the region, the Texas Water Development Board, applicable groundwater conservation districts, regional river authorities, and counties and municipalities across South Texas for consideration and collaboration, and provides that additional counties or political subdivisions may demonstrate support by adopting a similar resolution or by executing additional signature pages attached hereto.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED**, in open court, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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County Judge

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Commissioner Precinct 1

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Commissioner Precinct 2

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Commissioner Precinct 3

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Commissioner Precinct 4

**ATTESTED BY:**

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County Clerk