



RESOLUTION

The Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees unanimously approved on March 28, 2017 the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees is to promote Galveston Island, its beaches and natural resources, attractions, and heritage; to attract visitors to Galveston Island; to assure that Galveston's assets, for which the Board of Trustees is responsible, provide visitors, residents, and staff members with exemplary experiences in an environment that is safe, clean, accessible, fun, and environmentally sensitive; and

WHEREAS, tourism is an important economic activity for Galveston Island, and whereas the beaches form an integral part of the Island's tourism offering; and

WHEREAS, the City of Galveston, Texas, is a barrier island sitting along the southeast coast of Texas and bordered by the Gulf of Mexico and Galveston Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District, Texas A & M University at Galveston, the Greater Houston Partnership, Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership have all concurred that a forward line of defense that has been termed the "coastal barrier system" is critical to the national economy, and

WHEREAS, the coastal barrier system proposed would be built to a 100 year event standard, and modeling has concluded that a coastal barrier system would have prevented 87% of the \$29.5 billion in damages; and

WHEREAS, providing a comprehensive system of barriers and gates along the Gulf coast would protect the economy, the environment, and more importantly, the people in the region; and

WHEREAS, THE coastal barrier system concept is technically feasible, economically sound, environmentally friendly and socially just;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

The Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees hereby endorses the efforts of George P. Bush, Commissioner of the Texas General Land Office, in his efforts to progress the development and



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construction of projects identified in the Texas Coastal Study with the purpose of protecting the Texas coast against storm surge.

SIGNED this 28th day of March, 2017.

By:

JOYCE CALVER MCLEAN

Chairman

Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees

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Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees

BOARD APPROVED

DATE 3/08/2017

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