

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS PETITIONING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ACT FAVORABLY UPON AND ADOPT LEGISLATION NOW PENDING BEFORE THE 82ND CONGRESS WITH RESPECT TO TIDELAND OWNERSHIP

WHEREAS, in the case of the United States Vs. California, United States Vs. Louisiana and United States Vs. Texas, the Supreme Court of the United States has in effect deprived said States and their political subdivisions of their prior rights and title to certain valuable coastal lands, and

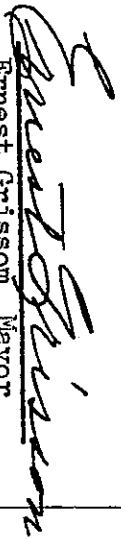
WHEREAS, the effect of the decisions of the Supreme Court in the above named cases has operated to deprive various States of income which is necessary for the operation of its public schools and other institutions, and such decisions are believed to be contrary to the provisions of the Treaty of Annexation entered into by and between the Republic of Texas and the United States of America;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

1. That said Board of Commissioners does hereby petition the Congress of the United States to act favorably upon and adopt House Resolution 4484 now pending in the 82nd Congress or similar legislation designed to confirm and establish the titles of the States to lands beneath navigable waters and for at least three (3) geographical miles seaward.
2. That the Congress of the United States be urged to reject and defeat any legislation which by its provisions will authorize any Federal department or agency to grant leases on or exercise any proprietary rights in said lands.
3. That a copy of this Resolution be furnished Hon. Omar Burlison, Congressman from the 17th District of Texas; Hon. Tom Connally and Hon. Lyndon Johnson, United States Senators from Texas; and Hon. Price Daniel, Attorney General of the State of Texas.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of February, A. D. 1952.

ATTEST:


Ernest Grissom, Mayor


Vera Ann Mathis,
City Secretary