

RESOLUTION NO. 12-2001

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, ENCOURAGING ITS STATE LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES AND THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT A REDISTRICTING PLAN THAT COMBINES ALL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE INTO ONE AND THE SAME STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene is committed to seeing that Texas Senatorial Districts fairly represent the views of all Texas citizens residing within their districts; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene urges the Texas Legislature to draw compact and, contiguous, districts that respect communities of common interests; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene serves as a regional business, health service and water development center for the citizens of this region; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene encourages the Texas Legislature to recognize that the City of Abilene shares a unique geographical distinction of being situated in both Taylor and Jones counties; and,

WHEREAS, all of the residents of the City of Abilene, whether residing in Taylor or Jones county, share a common interest in the areas of agriculture, ranching, oil and gas, water resources, economic interests, higher education, western heritage, transportation, and our nation's defenses; and,

WHEREAS, the voters residing in the City of Abilene are presently divided into two different State Senatorial Districts; and,

WHEREAS, combining all of Abilene into one and the same senatorial district promotes the continued survival and development of the City and of this region and of these interests, thereby reducing any potential disparate impact on the citizens of the City and of this region; now, therefore,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, encourages its legislative representatives and the Texas Legislature to support a redistricting plan that combines all of the City of Abilene into one and the same State Senatorial District.

PART 2: That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED this 5 day of April, A.D. 2001.

ATTEST:




City Secretary



Mayor

APPROVED:



City Attorney