

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2001

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 THE CITY OF ABILENE AND THE CITY OF SAN ANGELO IN THE SAME UNITED STATES (U.S.) CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene is committed to ensuring that Texas U.S. Congressional Districts fairly represent the views of all Texas citizens residing within each district; 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 encourages the Texas Legislature to recognize that the West Central Texas region shares unique geographical, water resource, demographic, economic and other interests; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Abilene and San Angelo specifically share common interests in the areas of agriculture, ranching, oil and gas, water resources, higher education, western heritage, transportation, and our nation's defenses; and,

WHEREAS, the voters residing in the City of San Angelo are presently divided into two different U.S. Congressional districts and the City of Abilene is in one of those Congressional Districts; and,

WHEREAS, that division creates confusion and separates people of shared common interests causing a potential disparate impact on the citizens 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 the City of Abilene and the City of San Angelo into the same U.S. Congressional District.

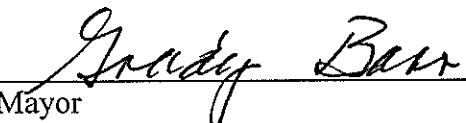
PART 2: That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

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

ATTEST:

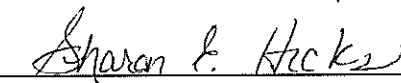


City Secretary



Mayor

APPROVED:



City Attorney