



EL PASO COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

RESOLUTION



WHEREAS, The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941; and,

WHEREAS, On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson; and,

WHEREAS, From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues; and,

WHEREAS, The tradition of setting off fireworks on the 4th of July began in Philadelphia on July 4, 1777, during the first organized celebration of Independence Day; and,

WHEREAS, In 1870, the U.S. Congress made July 4th an official federal holiday; and,

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court that July 4th 2020 be known as:*

“INDEPENDENCE DAY”

And encourage all El Paso County Citizens to celebrate with care!

***SIGNED,** this 29th day of June 2020*

Commissioner Carlos Leon, Pct. 1

Commissioner David Stout, Pct. 2

Commissioner Vincent M. Perez, Pct. 3

Commissioner Carl Robinson, Pct. 4

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge