



EL PASO COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

RESOLUTION



WHEREAS, February 21-27, 2021 is recognized as National Engineers Week to honor the nation's engineers in all fields who use their knowledge and skills in innovative ways to fulfill our society's needs and ensure a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers; and,

WHEREAS, El Paso Electric, the Texas Department of Transportation El Paso District, and the University of Texas at El Paso are partnering to celebrate their engineers who are each working to make a difference in our region and are collaborating to grow a future workforce of successful engineers; and,

WHEREAS, El Paso Electric has 114 engineers dedicated to assuring safe, clean, and efficient sources of energy and building infrastructure for the technological challenges of our time. They are a critical component of the regional electric utility that provides generation, transmission and distribution service to more than 441,800 retail and wholesale customers in a 10,000-square mile area of the Rio Grande Valley in West Texas and Southern New Mexico; and,

WHEREAS, more than three dozen professional engineers in the TxDOT El Paso District are integrated in each aspect of the agency's work from design, planning traffic, maintenance and construction: they are part of 1,200 across TxDOT statewide working tirelessly every day to provide a safe, reliable, and integrated transportation system that enables the movement of people and goods; and,

WHEREAS, UTEP produces great engineers- many that are Hispanic and first generation and many that graduate and place in Fortune 500 companies across the globe: there is also a larger regional and national impact as the College of Engineering is a significant contributor to research expenditures for the University, therefore assisting in elevating the University to a Tier 1 status; and,

WHEREAS, engineers serve as role models and sources of inspiration to our students and community to realize the power of their knowledge, and National Engineers Week works to further promote a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce, the groups' engineers will lead various activities for students and be recognized with the lighting of the Star on the Mountain, the interstate turbines and Downtown El Paso bridge arches.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court that February 21-27, 2021 shall be known as:

**“NATIONAL ENGINEERS WEEK FOR ENGINEERS
AT EL PASO ELECTRIC, TXDOT EL PASO DISTRICT AND UTEP.”**

SIGNED, this 22nd day of February 2021

Commissioner Carlos Leon, Pct. 1

Commissioner David C. Stout, Pct. 2

Commissioner Iliana Holguin, Pct. 3

Commissioner Carl L. Robinson, Pct. 4

County Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego