REAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT Resolution Supporting the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. and Declaring Real County a Sanctuary County for Gun Owners

WHEREAS, Real County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Real County Commissioners' Court believe in the Rule of Law under the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, these rights are retained by the People and protected by the Constitution of these United States, and the Constitution of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states: "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed;" and

WHEREAS, the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states: "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized; "and

WHEREAS, the Ninth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America states: "the enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people," protects ancillary rights that are closely related to the right to keep and bear arms protected by the Second Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Tenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America states: "the powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people;" and

WHEREAS, Article 1; Section 23 of the Texas State Constitution states, "<u>RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS</u>. Every citizen shall have the right to keep and bear arms in the lawful defense of himself or the State; but the Legislature shall have power, by law, to regulate the wearing of arms, with a view to prevent crime;" and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Real County Commissioners' Court that any regulation of the right to keep and bear arms or ancillary firearms rights that violates the Second, Fourth, Ninth, or Tenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America, and/or Article 1; Section 23 of the Texas State Constitution as articulated herein, shall be regarded by the Real County Commissioners' Court as unconstitutional; a transgression of the Supreme Law of the Land and its spirit of Liberty, and therefore by necessity void ab initio; and