

## RESOLUTION

### Council of Judges, Parker County, Texas

**Whereas**, Parker County, Texas is a vibrant and growing county in Texas; and,

**Whereas**, Parker County has a quality of life second to none; and,

**Whereas**, one reason for said quality of life is quality law enforcement and respect for the law; and,

**Whereas**, the judicial system including all support agencies should operate efficiently to assure respect for the law remains; and,

**Whereas**, the Constitution of the State of Texas provides for the judicial system to be a separate and co-equal branch of state government; and,

**Whereas**, in view of the significant growth in population of Parker County, the rate of which is near the highest in Texas, there should be sufficient facilities for the courts, law enforcement, and juries; and,

**Whereas**, the useable space in current court facilities presents a safety and security risk to occupants and the public; and,

**Whereas**, there is no currently vacant or available county building space to house any court or prosecutorial facility; and,

**Whereas**, available land for facilities will become more scarce over time coupled with a corresponding increase in land cost; and,

**Whereas**, current facilities are not adequate to accommodate the court personnel, advanced electronic technology, litigants, security inmate management, and juries; and,

**Whereas**, a new and modern justice center with adequate parking is needed immediately; and,

**Whereas**, said justice center should be large enough to accommodate all current and foreseeable future needs; and,

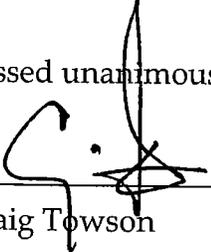
**Whereas**, the Council of Judges, Parker County, Texas supports the Commissioners Court of Parker County in the planning and ultimate building of a justice center; and,

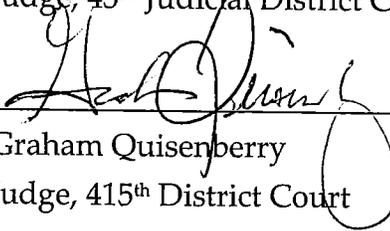
**Whereas**, the Council of Judges, Parker County, Texas adopted and submitted similar resolutions on September 15, 2009 and January 8, 2015.

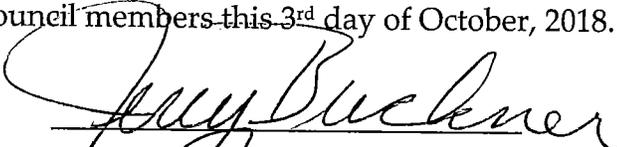
**Now therefore, be it RESOLVED** that:

The Council of Judges of Parker County, Texas that the matter covered herein is of the utmost urgency and thus supports the immediate acquisition of land in Parker County, Texas for the building of a justice center at the earliest possible date and, further, said council will support the Parker County Commissioners Court in its efforts to do so.

Passed unanimously by the below-signed council members this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2018.

  
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Craig Towson  
Judge, 43<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District Court

  
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Judge, 415<sup>th</sup> District Court

  
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Jerry Buckner  
Judge, County Court at Law No. 1

  
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Judge, County Court at Law No. 2