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October 14, 2009

**Resolution by the Lake Travis Chamber of Commerce  
Regarding Possible Lifting of the No-discharge Rule**

**Whereas**, The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (T.C.E.Q.) established a rule in 1984 that wastewater utilities surrounding the Highland Lakes may not discharge treated effluent into the lakes, and

**Whereas**, the members of the Lake Travis Chamber of Commerce (LTCC) are protected by this rule, both as to their health and as to the preservation of their recreational and economic interests, and

**Whereas**, there are several marinas, boat dealerships, hotels and other restaurants and businesses within the LTCC area which would be adversely affected by any reduction in water recreation on Lake Travis which could result from the lowering of the lake's water quality, and

**Whereas**, the LTCC recognizes the potential threat to all Lake Travis property values, both residential and commercial, which could result from the pollution of the water in Lake Travis, and

**Whereas**, Protect Lake Travis Association has acted, with the support and encouragement of the LTCC, as the watchdogs of the water quality of Lake Travis, therefore

**Be It Resolved** that the Lake Travis Chamber of Commerce opposes any change in the no-discharge rule of T.C.E.Q., but rather supports the continuation of that rule as a protection for the quality of the drinking water used by the citizens of the Lake Travis area, and as protection for the important segment of the economy of this area that is related to water recreation.

Beth Byer, Chairman of the Board

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