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H.C.R. No. 124

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Throughout history, the Bolivar Peninsula and
2 Galveston Island have weathered tremendous storms, each time
3 rebuilding as stronger and more resilient communities; and

4 WHEREAS, the Texas coastal region fuels the nation as the top
5 region for waterborne commerce and is home to critical
6 infrastructure that is integral to our national economy and our
7 national security; and

8 WHEREAS, the United States Army Corps of Engineers has
9 initiated the Coastal Texas Protection and Restoration Feasibility
10 Study to determine the feasibility of constructing coastal storm
11 risk management and ecosystem restoration projects along the Texas
12 Coast; the United States Army Corps of Engineers has recently
13 concluded the public comment period on the Draft Integrated
14 Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement where the
15 Tentatively Selected Plan includes structures along the Bolivar
16 Peninsula and Galveston Island; and

17 WHEREAS, comments from the public expressed concern with the
18 Tentatively Selected Plan due to negative consequences to homes,
19 businesses, and the environment resulting from structures placed
20 through the middle of the Bolivar Peninsula and the west end of
21 Galveston Island, and a ring levee around the east end of Galveston
22 Island; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas,
24 supports a revised Coastal Texas Protection and Restoration

1 Feasibility Study Tentatively Selected Plan that reflects
2 community input from the Bolivar Peninsula and Galveston Island
3 received during the public comment period; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, The State of Texas recognizes the need of
5 protecting the Texas coast; any structure on the Bolivar Peninsula
6 and Galveston Island should protect and not damage the community;
7 and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Texas Secretary of State forward official
9 copies of this resolution to the Commissioner of the Texas General
10 Land Office, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and to all
11 members of the Texas delegation to Congress with the request that
12 this resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record.