

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF COLLIN

Subject: Resolution, Low-Income Vehicle Repair, Retrofit, and Accelerated Retirement Program and Local Initiative Projects – Commissioners Court

On **February 28, 2011**, the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas, met in **regular session** with the following members present and participating, to wit:

**Keith Self
Matt Shaheen
Cheryl Williams
Joe Jaynes
Duncan Webb**

**County Judge, Presiding
Commissioner, Precinct 1
Commissioner, Precinct 2
Commissioner, Precinct 3
Commissioner, Precinct 4**

During such session the court considered adoption of the following resolution supporting appropriations for the Low-Income Vehicle Repair, Retrofit, and Accelerated Retirement Program and Local Initiative Projects.

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated the nine-county area of Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, and Tarrant Counties as nonattainment under the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) effective June 15, 2004; and,

WHEREAS, the EPA reclassified the North Central Texas nine-county nonattainment area from a moderate to serious classification, requiring a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for a June 15, 2013, attainment date; and,

WHEREAS, the SIP contains emission reduction control strategies such as mandatory inspection and maintenance programs, accelerated vehicle retirement initiatives, and emissions enforcement activities to improve air quality; and

WHEREAS, automobiles and light duty trucks are major sources of ozone forming nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions in Collin County and approximately 10 percent of these vehicles cause a very large portion of the NOx emissions; and,

WHEREAS, during the 80th Legislative Session of the State of Texas, Senate Bill 12 expanded the Low-Income Vehicle Repair, Retrofit, and Accelerated Retirement Program (LIRAP) and increased statewide funding for implementation of Local Initiative Projects (LIP) including emissions enforcement programs; and,

WHEREAS, LIRAP and LIP are self-funded programs through additional fees included in vehicle emissions inspections in only nonattainment counties including Collin County; and,

WHEREAS, Collin County has determined continuing for the LIRAP and LIP Programs will improve the overall quality of life and health of the citizens of Collin County; and,

WHEREAS, LIRAP and LIP need to be fully funded to make the programs even more effective and productive in reducing mobile source emissions as North Central Texas faces tougher ozone NAAQS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** Collin County recommends that the 82nd Texas Legislature appropriate all available funding for LIRAP and LIP Programs.
- Section 2.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.
- Section 3.** This resolution will be transmitted to the Texas Legislative Budget Board, the Texas House Committee on Appropriations, the Texas Senate Committee on Finance and North Texas State Delegates.

Adopted this 28th day of February, 2011.



Keith Self, County Judge

Matt Shaheen, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2

Joe Jaynes, Commissioner, Pct. 3

Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

Stacey Kemp, Ex-Officio Clerk
Commissioners Court
Collin County, T E X A S