

## **The Proper Role of County Government in Providing Temporary Housing and Care for Undocumented Aliens**

**WHEREAS**, the federal government has failed to defend the sovereign borders of the United States and Texas, allowing massive numbers of undocumented aliens to enter the country illegally; and

**WHEREAS**, this places these undocumented aliens at significant risk of the most egregious violence and injury and therefore must be discouraged; and

**WHEREAS**, these current events place untenable burdens on law enforcement, public health services, social services, public education and other civic services, resulting in a long term impact of incalculable proportions;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS** that the housing of undocumented aliens, whether designated as a “refugee” or otherwise, is not a core function of county government.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that County agencies are hereby directed to deny requests or directives to process or house these undocumented aliens, except for the legally-required core functions of law enforcement, health care services, and child protective services.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Court applauds efforts by private charitable and faith based organizations to provide food, shelter, clothing, education and other care while these undocumented aliens await disposition by federal immigration authorities, at the border.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Court urges our state and federal legislators and other elected officials to take prompt action to end the influx of undocumented aliens entering this country illegally, and to cease the relocation of these individuals into communities across the State of Texas and elsewhere within the United States.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Court calls on the state and federal government to: (1) enforce existing immigration laws and provide additional resources for new and existing Border Patrol checkpoints, employing a continuous physical barrier where strategically prudent; (2) enforce and enhance smuggling and human trafficking laws, and provide civil liberty protections for land owners against criminal trespassers; (3) abolish any and all state-controlled and sponsored incentives that exacerbate the problem of illegal immigration, such as (but not limited to) applicable in-state tuition subsidies, welfare benefits and free non-emergency health care for undocumented aliens in this country illegally, and (4) prohibit “sanctuary cities” which restrict law enforcement from determining the immigration status of detainees after the commission of a crime.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS** calls on other communities and jurisdictions to join with us in this action by passing similar resolutions.