

## RESOLUTION

The Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors unanimously approved the recommendation of the Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce's Legislative Affairs Committee and passed the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the purpose of the Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce is to promote and advocate for business; and

WHEREAS successfully suppressing storm surge would be of great economic benefit to business in the City of Galveston as well as the entire region; and

WHEREAS the Ike Dike Coastal Barrier approach has been employed successfully in the Netherlands and the Greater New Orleans Barrier; and

WHEREAS the lke Dike concept is technically feasible, economically sound, environmentally friendly and socially just;

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

The Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce hereby endorses Senate Bill 1160 (Senator Larry Taylor) and House Bill 3029 (Representative Dennis Paul) creating the Gulf Coast Protection District that will become the non-federal sponsor for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Plan for a storm surge suppression system.

Signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021

 $By: Terrilyn Tarlton-Shannon, Chair \ Galveston$ 

Regional Chamber of Commerce

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