

Resolution



ORDER NO: 2024-0382

DATE: April 16, 2024

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 16th day of April, 2024, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, White Rock Lake, in the heart of Dallas County District 1, was recently designated as a Lone Star Legacy Park by the State of Texas. This recognition by Texas Recreation and Parks Society, is the organization's highest honor given to a park for historic and recreational contributions and its importance in the community; and

WHEREAS, White Rock Lake was created in 1911 as a water source for the growing city of Dallas, and has evolved into a model for urban outdoor recreation and conservation that attracts more than two million visitors annually. The 2,200-acre park is a prime leisure area with trails, picnic areas, boating, and fishing. The park contains some of the rarest remnants of the Blackland Prairie ecosystem in existence; and

WHEREAS, The Dallas City Council transferred land around the lake to the Dallas Park and Recreation Department in 1929 to develop a park. With help from the Civilian Conservation Corps, several of the park's most cherished amenities and features were built. Today, 11 historic structures built by the CCC are still in use, and the park has served various purposes from a POW camp during World War II to overflow housing for male students attending Southern Methodist University after the war; and

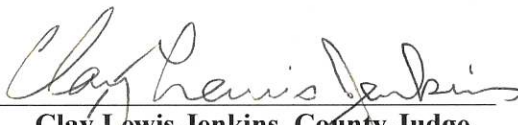
WHEREAS, White Rock Lake joins Reverchon Park in District 2 and Kiest Park in Districts 3 & 4 as Lone Star Legacy Parks. Dallas County can be proud of its participation in enhancing these City of Dallas Parks Department's efforts through partnering on connecting streets, trails and open space preservation; and

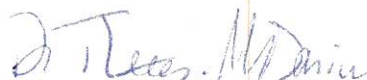
WHEREAS, The White Rock Lake Foundation is instrumental in presenting the case for the maintenance and improvement of White Rock Lake. It coordinates public relations efforts, serves as a unified advocacy group before the Dallas City Council, acts in close and effective cooperation with the Dallas Park and Recreation Board to assist in long-term planning and design, and spearheads private fundraising efforts; and

WHEREAS, For the Love of the Lake, a group of volunteers that helps keep the lake free from litter; two rowing clubs, a sailing club and the White Rock Lake Task Force all help to preserve this jewel in Dallas County and maintain it for all to enjoy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby congratulate the City of Dallas Parks Department and all of the volunteer groups that make White Rock Lake a premier recreation destination and who helped to earn it a Lone Star Legacy Park designation.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 16th day of April, 2024.

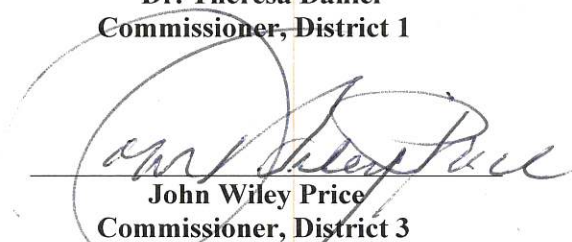

Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge



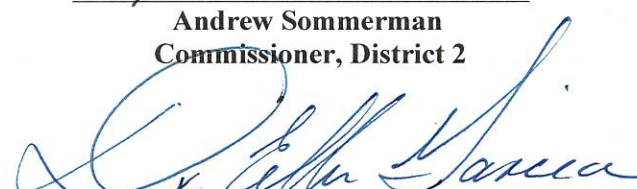
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