RESOLUTION OF FORT BEND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT RECOGNIZING ROSENBERG HISTORIC DOWNTOWN AS A CULTURAL DESTINATION

WHEREAS, Historic Downtown Rosenberg is home to a significant number of cultural assets including performing and visual arts; historic buildings; cultural festivals; arts education; artists and artisans; specialty retailers; specialty restaurants; sidewalk and parking improvements; and public-private partnerships;

WHEREAS, these cultural assets beautify and animate, provide employment, enhance property values, and expand the tax base in Fort Bend County;

WHEREAS, the Rosenberg Historic Downtown Cultural District Steering Committee was created with the Rosenberg Development Corporation., to promote and maintain the cultural and arts activity of Rosenberg Historic Downtown;

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee appointed Imperial Performing Arts, Inc., a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit corporation to designate and implement the Rosenberg Historic Downtown Cultural District project by coordinating local partnerships, as well as partnerships with other communities in Fort Bend County and its surrounding area;

WHEREAS, Twelve Rosenberg Historic Downtown Organizations have pledged support of, and worked diligently toward these efforts, including the Art League of Fort Bend; CAST Theatrical Company; City of Rosenberg; Downtown Merchants of Rosenberg; Fort Bend County Commissioner Precinct One; Fort Bend Hispanic Heritage Forum; Imperial Arts; Lamar Consolidated Independent School District; Rosenberg Development Corporation; Rosenberg Railroad Museum,; Shuck Consulting Services; and West Fort Bend Management District;

WHEREAS, Rosenberg Historic Downtown promotes cultural education, the cultivation of current and future artists, and economic development through the arts in Fort Bend County;

WHEREAS. Fort Bend County steadfastly supports the efforts of the Rosenberg Historic Downtown Cultural District Steering Committee and Imperial Performing Arts, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution serves a public purpose.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY THAT Fort Bend County recognizes Rosenberg Historic Downtown to be an invaluable and irreplaceable cultural destination in Fort Bend County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COMMISIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY THAT all Fort Bend County residents, especially those citizens who own property or businesses within the area, are encouraged to support, promote and help maintain activities and events in Downtown Rosenberg.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of October, 2012.

Jeanne Wilson

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

ATTEST:

Dianne Wilson, County Clerk

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