## **RESOLUTION NO 2022-008**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BANDERA TEXAS EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PETITIONED TEXAS COMMISSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALALITY RULE CHAGE (2022-1075-PET)

WHEREAS, the City of Bandera contains portions of the Medina River above Medina Lake (segment 1905), and

WHEREAS, the pristine streams within and around the City of Bandera support the region's visitor and recreation-based economy; and

WHEREAS, these streams are clear and pristine because they carry little or no nutrients, such as phosphorous; and

WHEREAS, even the best treated domestic wastewater direct discharge carries levels of nutrients, including phosphorus, that far exceed the natural levels found in these streams; and

WHEREAS, the addition of nutrients, like phosphorus, to these pristine streams will degrade water quality and may result in algal blooms, fish kills and interruption of recreational use, and

WHEREAS, these streams can be protected by prohibiting direct discharge of treated domestic wastewater within their drainages and instead requiring alternative means of disposal through land application, reuse or other means, and

WHEREAS, the Bandera City Council recognizes the value of these pristine streams to the environment and economy of our city.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BANDERA CITY COUNCIL THAT

The Bandera City Council hereby supports the petitioned Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rule change (2022-1075-PET) prohibiting the agency from authorizing any additional discharge of treated domestic wastewater pollutants into any creeks and streams located with the drainage area of the Medina River above Medina Lake.

PASSED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND EFFECTIVE THE 15th DAY OF MARCH, 2022.

CITY OF BANDERA, TEXAS

Suzanne Schauman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jill Shelton, City Secretary