



Resolution

WHEREAS, electronic filing resolves the needs of geographically dispersed communities and reduces costs and environmental impact; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of electronic filing is to promote judicial efficiency by reducing operating costs and document processing time through providing broader public access to court documents and records; and

WHEREAS, it is the objective of Harris County to promote judicial efficiency, increase transparency, and streamline its county government through electronic filing; and

WHEREAS, Harris County has the most electronic filings in the State of Texas, having recently quadrupled from 3,000 to 12,000 per month; and

WHEREAS, electronic filing fees have shown to be burdensome to attorneys and bodies of government within the County alike; and

WHEREAS, implementing a Free Electronic Filing Portal for filing within Harris County would alleviate such financial burdens while saving the County over \$2.5 million in taxpayer dollars: now, therefore be it

RESOLVED; that the Harris County Commissioners Court, along with the District Clerk of Harris County, strongly supports the creation of a free electronic filing portal for filing documents within the County, which will reduce filing costs and significantly reduce costs to the taxpayers; and be it further


RESOLVED, that the Harris County Commissioners Court supports any and all measures, including procedural rules and legislation, that will allow Harris County to implement a


FREE ELECTRONIC FILING PORTAL

in Harris County, Texas.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of Commissioners Court this 22nd day of June, 2010.


ED EMMETT, County Judge


EL FRANCO LEE, Commissioner
Precinct One


SYLVIA R. GARCIA, Commissioner
Precinct Two


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JERRY EVERSOLE, Commissioner