WHEREAS, it is the desire of the El Paso County Commissioners' Court to protect the environment and the natural resources unique to the El Paso region; and,

WHEREAS, there is an opportunity to guide and plan for future development and the protection of valuable open space that could potentially be lost if action is not taken; and,

WHEREAS, Castner Range is located in a mountainous area of El Paso County and is owned by the United States Government (the "U.S."); and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court wishes that the land be preserved and not developed, and wishes to request that the U.S. Department of the Army work to achieve a Conservation Conveyance so that the whole of Castner Range is preserved and no portion is developed so that it can be used by the public for passive recreational use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners' Court advocates the preservation of Castner Range for future generations and that it not be developed in whole or in part.

SIGNED, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2010.

Commissioner Annabell Perez, Pct. 1Commissioner Veronica Escobar, Pct. 2Commissioner Willie Gandara, Pct. 3Commissioner Daniel R. Haggerty, Pct. 4

Anthony Cobos County Judge