RESOLUTION
Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

IN FULFILLING the Conciliation Agreement which was the result of a Fair Housing complaint filed against the State of Texas, the LRGVDC will act to ensure it affirmatively furthers fair housing by addressing applicable Impediments identified in the Fair Housing Activity Statement of Texas (FHAST).

WHEREAS, the LRGVDC has received CDBG Disaster Recovery Program funds; and,

WHEREAS, Impediment 5 of the conciliation agreement identifies that certain governmental policies and practices may not meet current HUD policy concerning affirmatively furthering fair housing; and,

WHEREAS, the LRGVDC understands that these certain governmental entities may or may not exist in its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, these policies and practices may or may not include the concentration of necessary but undesirable infrastructure improvements such as wastewater treatment or solid waste disposal in residential areas where there are concentrations of protected classes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the LRGVDC will act to ensure it affirmatively furthers fair housing by adopting the following action plan:

I. The LRGVDC will strive to increase awareness with the distribution of printed material containing factual information that debunks myths and addresses misconceptions about low income and special-use housing developments. These materials will be accessible to counties, municipalities, non-profits, and developers. The LRGVDC will encourage these organizations to use all available technology and resources to spread this information.

II. The LRGVDC will, when appropriate, hold trainings on NIMBYism for local elected and non-elected officials in an effort to garner political support on anti-nimbyism through cooperation and understanding.

III. The LRGVDC will encourage its jurisdiction to cooperate with low income and special-use housing developers in helping prepare for community opposition.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 22nd day of May, 2013.

Honorable Steve Brewer, LRGVDC Board President

ATTEST

Executive Director