

Resolution of Support for TABTPA Funding

Be it known that the **attached named Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) are members of the Galveston County Law Enforcement Chief Executive Officers Group**. Be it further known that **members of the Galveston County Law Enforcement Chief Executive Officers Group** work very closely with the Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority and their respective Task Force operations (statewide/local).

Whereas, the Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (TABTPA) has been in existence since the 72nd Legislative Session in 1991 (HB640). Be it further known that the TABTPA is funded by a \$1.00 assessment to auto insurance policies. These dedicated funds were then funneled to the TABTPA to assist local agencies to develop task forces to combat theft of motor vehicles and other related motor vehicle crimes.

Be it further known that as a result of House Bill 1387 during the 75th Legislative Session in 1997 the ABTPA lost dedicated funds status. Be it also known that since 1997 millions of dollars that have been collected by the insurance industry have been diverted to the general revenue funds of the State of Texas.

Be it also known that since the inception of the TABTPA motor vehicle theft has been reduced by over 60%. The recovery of stolen motor vehicles has increased by 20%. The TABTPA task forces have recovered over 1.6 million stolen vehicles. The total value of vehicles and other properties recovered by the TABTPA task forces has exceeded \$11.6 Billion dollars.

Furthermore, the TABTPA has become a role model for auto theft enforcement worldwide with 14 states using Texas as a model. Be it further known that a number of Canadian Provinces as well as countries in Europe as well as areas of Australia have looked for guidance from the TABTPA.

Be it also known that the TABTPA task forces have been task with providing assistance to many other agencies in the inspection and investigations centering around vehicles used in the commission of other crimes on both the state and federal levels. Be it also known that the TABTPA task forces are in many areas the only investigative resources as it pertains to salvage yards, vehicle storage facilities, VIN verification inspections, insurance fraud, title fraud and other countless forms of criminal activities.

Therefore, be it further resolved that **we, the members of the Galveston County Law Enforcement Chief Executive Officers Group** fully understands the value of the TABTPA and the task forces as it pertains to the services they provide to the citizens of the State of Texas, Law Enforcement on the local, state and federal levels, the Tax Assessor office's of the State of Texas and the insurance industry.

Be it further resolved that the CEOs **identified on the attached page fully supports** any and all legislative efforts to maintain funding for the TABTPA so that it can continue to serve the State of Texas in a manner suited to allow them to continue in the battle against all forms of motor vehicle crimes.

Texas City Police Department

Signature: _____
Robert J. Burby, Chief

Date: _____

Galveston County Sheriff's Office

Signature: _____
Freddie Poor, Sheriff

Date: _____

Clear Lake Shores Police Department

Signature: _____
Paul Shelley, Chief

Date: _____

Hitchcock Police Department

Signature: _____
Clay Kennelly, Chief

Date: _____

Dickinson Police Department

Signature: _____
Ron Morales, Chief

Date: _____

Jamaica Beach Police Department

Signature: _____
Andrew McLane, Chief

Date: _____

Friendswood Police Department

Signature: _____
Robert Wieners, Chief

Date: _____

Kemah Police Department

Signature: _____
Bill Kerber, Chief

Date: _____

Galveston Police Department

Signature: _____
Charles Wiley, Chief

Date: _____

La Marque Police Department

Signature: _____
Randall Aragon, Chief

Date: _____

College of the Mainland Police Dept

Signature: _____
E. W. Carr, Chief

Date: _____

League City Police Department

Signature: _____
Mike Jez, Chief

Date: _____

Port of Galveston Police Department

Signature: _____
Robert Pierce, Chief

Date: _____

GISD Campus Police

Signature: _____
Leeroy Amador, Chief

Date: _____

La Marque ISD Campus Police

Signature: _____
Timothy Fields, Chief

Date: _____

Santa Fe ISD Campus Police

Signature: _____
Walter Braun, Chief

Date: _____

Santa Fe Police Department

Signature: _____
Kenneth Campbell, Chief

Date: _____

Texas City A&M Police Department

Signature: _____
Sammy Martinez, Chief

Date: _____

Bayou Vista Police Department

Signature: _____
Ed Lucas, Chief

Date: _____

Tiki Island Police Department

Signature: _____
Jerry Wright, Chief

Date: _____

UTMB Police Department

Signature: _____
Thomas Engells, Chief

Date: _____

Galveston County S.O. (Admin)

Signature: _____
Mary Johnson, Chief

Date: _____

Galveston County S.O. (Corrections)

Signature: _____
Mike Henson, Chief

Date: _____

Precinct #1

Signature: _____
Don Cherry, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #2

Signature: _____
Terry Petteway, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #4

Signature: _____
Jimmy Fullen, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #6

Signature: _____
William Comeaux, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #8

Signature: _____
Jerry Fisher, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #3

Signature: _____
Derreck Rose, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #5

Signature: _____
Michael Montez, Constable

Date: _____

Precinct #7

Signature: _____
Pam Matranga, Constable

Date: _____