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**RESOLUTION**  
**In Support of Restoring Funding to the**  
**Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority**

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**WHEREAS**, the County of Guadalupe is a member of the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force, a Multi-County Law Enforcement Agency that is funded by a grant made available by the Texas Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force performs investigations and Public Awareness related to the theft of motor vehicles along with assisting law enforcement agencies that do not have auto theft units; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force performs 68-A inspections on vehicles and trailers in which there are questions about the validity of the Vehicle Identification Number; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force has recovered more than 2,651 vehicles valued at more than 33 million dollars, 6,454 agency assists, 2,410 68-A inspections, 4,463 cases worked; and

**WHEREAS**, the 82<sup>nd</sup> session of the Texas Legislature has recommended zero funding for the Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force, funding for the Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority is received from a one dollar assessment on each vehicle insurance policy allowing the program to receive funding without costing the State of Texas any tax dollars; and

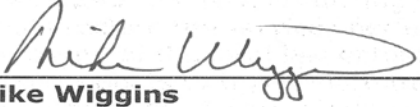
**WHEREAS**, the lack of funding to the Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority would require the services performed by the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force be tasked to the local law enforcement agencies within Guadalupe County and require local residents to travel more than 65 miles for a 68-A inspection, where an organized Auto Theft Task Force will remain in larger departments such as San Antonio or Austin.

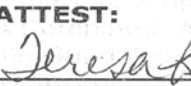
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

The County of Guadalupe County, requests that the 82<sup>nd</sup> Legislature, Regular Session:

1. Restore funding to the Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority; and
2. Dedicate all funds received, for the purposes of combating auto theft and reducing the number of stolen vehicles, to the Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority for the purposes intended.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2011.

  
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**Mike Wiggins**  
County Judge

ATTEST:  
  
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**Teresa Kiel**  
County Clerk

